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ANOTHER BATTLE AT PORT ARTHUR

Little is Left There of the Russian Fleet

A Russian Bank Reported Burned—Various Accounts of the First Battle and How the Russians Were Entrapped—Japanese Losses are Also Heavy

LONDON, FEB. 12.—REPORTS FROM THE SCENE OF WAR IN THE FAR EAST INDICATE THAT JAPAN IS FOLLOWING UP THE ADVANTAGE GAINED IN THE FIRST BATTLE BY BOMBARDING PORT ARTHUR AND PLANNING THE CAPTURE OF STRATEGETIC POINTS. THE RUSSIAN FLEET AT PORT ARTHUR IS PRACTICALLY DESTROYED AND IF JAPAN NOW GOES NORTH SHE MAY DESTROY THE SQUADRON AT VLADIVOSTOK WHICH WILL LEAVE RUSSIA WITHOUT A FLEET ON THE FAR EASTERN COAST. ALREADY THE PEOPLE OF RUSSIA ARE BECOMING SERIOUSLY ALARMED AT THE SITUATION.

ANOTHER BATTLE AT PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12—In a dispatch from Nagasaki dated Feb. 10, a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

"There has been a renewed attack on Port Arthur. The Japanese captured seven Russian ships and chased others.

"There have been disturbances at Port Arthur, in which a number of Japanese civilians were killed or imprisoned.

"A Chinese mob has destroyed the telegraph line round New Chwang."

In a dispatch from Shanghai dated Feb. 12, 2 a. m., a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

"The bombardment of Port Arthur continues. Three Russian cruisers have been sunk. The Russian bank building has been burned."

JAPANESE LOSS AT PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of Reuter's telegram company cables that the naval headquarters staff there announces that in the fight at Port Arthur six Japanese ships were slightly damaged and 50 Japanese were killed and 150 wounded.

RUSSIA ALARMED COAL CARGOES STOPPED

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—Nine thousand soldiers and 22,000 tons of military stores are waiting at Sevastopol for transportation to the fast east.

The Russian ministry of marine, particularly the Grand Duke Alexander Mikhailovitch, are much annoyed that the admiral commanding the Russian Pacific squadron allowed himself to be surprised. Alexeyeff comes in for a share of the reproach.

The public generally displays anxiety but confidence reigns in military circles. Sober public opinion continues to view the war with apprehension. Prince Ukhtomsky says the opinions of thousands upon thousands of Russians is that the war with Japan will be useless, without result and will advantage none but western Europeans.

It is reported from Glasgow that the Russian government is stopping the shipment of coal to the far east, and in some cases ordering coal at sea to be discharged at the nearest Russian port. A similar report comes from Cardiff. London merchants who have been acting for the Russian government are taking measures to divert cargoes now en route to Port Arthur, in order to prevent the Japanese capturing them.

BALTIC FLEET WILL BE USELESS

LONDON, Feb. 12.—At the Japanese legation last night no great importance was attached to the report that the Russian Baltic squadron is going to the far east.

It was explained that even were the report true, the fleet would not reach the scene of operations under six weeks, by which time the situation might have changed materially. In any case it was said the Japanese navy would be quite ready to meet the ships.

It was also pointed out at the legation that since Great Britain has declared her neutrality, and as most of the coaling ports east of Suez are British, the Russian men-of-war will experience great difficulties in coaling, or be hindered by necessity of having colliers accompany them.

MANY STATEMENTS CONCERNING BATTLE

LONDON, Feb. 12—Statements of all kinds concerning the Port Arthur fight were published here this morning.

According to the Chefoo correspondent of the Daily Mail the lack of preparation on the part of the Russians at Port Arthur was due to the fact that all the naval and military officers were attending a circus performance in Port Arthur, which did not terminate until early Tuesday morning.

According to the correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald at Chefoo, the Japanese torpedo boats succeeded in entering the outer harbor by a ruse; they used the Russian flash lights signals. This correspondent adds that three Japanese torpedo boats were sunk with great loss of life.

A correspondent of the Standard at Tokio sends in this morning an entirely new account of the Port Arthur encounter. He says Admiral Togo's fleet arrived on Monday night and found the Russian squadron drawn up in battle formation outside the harbor and under the shadow of the forts, the destroyers being spread out in front over a distance of five miles. Admiral Togo decided on a night attack and opened fire at 11 o'clock. While the cannonade was hottest a number of Japanese torpedo boats crept along close inshore at the foot of the cliff and succeeded in the darkness in getting between the Russian ships and the land. Here they lay unnoticed until the Russians began to give way before the Japanese fire and sought to reenter the harbor. The Japanese torpedo boats then opened fire at comparatively close range and sunk two battleships and one cruiser close to the entrance of the harbor. The effect of this coup was the retreat of the remainder of the squadron into the harbor. All was safe on board the Japanese ships at noon of Tuesday, the correspondent concludes, and the engagement was still in progress.

VICEROY ALEXIEFF REPORTS DAMAGE DONE

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—The czar yesterday received a telegram from Viceroy Alexieff describing the damage done to the Russian warships during the bombardment by the Japanese fleet at Port Arthur. It says:

"The Czarevitch and Pallada were brought into the harbor Tuesday. The Retvizan is making temporary repairs to a hole. Repairs to the battleships are so complicated that it is difficult to say when they will be ready. The Pallada and Novik will be docked in turn and expect them to be ready in a fortnight. All the other vessels injured in the fight are now repairing and coaling in the harbor. I expect them to be ready in three days.

"The wounded officers, Lieut. Col. Zamotchkovsky, of the artillery corps, and Lieut. Petrof are doing well. Four of the wounded have died. A majority of the injured belonged to the cruiser Pallada and their injuries are due to gases from the explosion of a melinite torpedo. A careful search by cruisers and torpedo boats yesterday and last night has not revealed the presence of the enemy."

It is officially announced that no news has been received here of the fight at Chemulpo, the landing of Japanese or the blowing up of a bridge on the Manchurian railroad.

DOWAGER EMPRESS TO RED CROSS

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12—The dowager empress has issued a rescript to the Red Cross of Russia directing it to make provision to alleviate the sufferings of the wounded in the war with Japan. A branch of the Red Cross has been established in the new hermitage of the winter palace. The offers of services have been so numerous that no more will be entertained at present. A continuance of the patriotic demonstrations in which thousands of students and workmen participate is reported from Moscow, Kieff and other places.

JAPANESE LEAGUE ISSUES MANIFESTO

HONOLULU, Feb. 12—The Central Japanese League on advice of Japanese Consul Niki Saito has caused the following manifesto to Japanese subjects in Hawaii to be distributed through all the islands:

"All subjects of the emperor in Hawaii are to regulate their conduct with due regard to the obligation of belligerent subjects in neutral territory. If the reserves are called for it will be the high privilege of the reservists in Hawaii immediately to respond, taking special care to make preparations to be ready to return to Japan in as quiet and calm a manner as in time of peace."

CRASHED INTO CAR

Captain Albert Gibson of Truck One Injured in Collision

While Responding to an Alarm—Truck and Car Collided on Lawrence Street in the Early Morning—Conflicting Stories of the Accident

An out-going Lawrence street electric car collided with Truck One of the Lawrence street firehouse in Lawrence street about 5.40 o'clock this morning and as a result of the accident, Capt. Albert H. Gibson, of the truck, sustained injuries which may prove fatal. He is now at the Lawrence street house suffering from a broken collarbone and probably internal injuries. He is also badly bruised about the arms and limbs. As there were very few people in the vicinity when the accident happened it is difficult to state whether the driver of the truck or the motorman of the car was to blame.

At the time of the accident Timothy Dwyer was driving the truck, Timothy Brown was at the tiller on the rear end of the wagon, and Captain Gibson was standing on the front side step on the left hand side of the truck. Motorman Noah P. Batchelder and Conductor Eugene Malone had charge of the car which figured in the accident. The collision occurred nearly opposite the storehouse of the American Belt shop in Lawrence street, and Captain Gibson was crushed between the truck and the car, while Fireman Brown was thrown from his seat at the tiller to the ground but escaped without dangerous injury. The grab rail on the side of the car was badly bent, but the truck escaped injury.

The driver of the truck blames the motorman for the accident and on the other hand the motorman blames the driver of the truck.

DWYER'S STORY.

The following is the story told by Driver Dwyer of the truck company:

"At 5.34 an alarm from box 55 sounded, and after making a quick hitch I jumped to my position on the front seat; Brown was on the rear seat holding the tiller, while Captain Gibson jumped on the front step on the left side of the truck. Swinging out of the firehouse we went into Lawrence street and upon reaching the curve at the junction of Andrews, Agawam and Lawrence streets I noticed that there was an electric car in the turnout near the corner of Watson street. During the bad conditions of the streets we have had to use the car tracks and I expected that the motorman would give me the right of way and stay at the turnout until I struck it, when I could take the curve to the right and get by with plenty of room to spare. The truck was lighted with the regulation number of lanterns, but fearing that the motorman might not see us coming, I clanged the bell from the moment I turned the corner until the collision occurred. Feeling confident that the motorman saw me coming I started the horses at a rapid clip down the hill and it was not until I had passed the railroad track that I noticed that the car had started up and was coming towards me at a good rate of speed. Knowing that a collision would result if I held to the track I gave my horses a quick pull and partially stopping them swung the front wheels clear of the track and I felt the rear wheels leave the track when the car crashed into the side of the truck.

"I managed to hold my seat when the shock occurred but Brown was thrown from his seat and Capt. Gibson was wedged between the side of the truck and the car."

WHAT MOTORMAN SAYS.

On the other hand Motorman Batchelder and Conductor Malone claim that their car was at a standstill when the accident occurred. It is claimed by the motorman that he did not see the truck or have any warning of its approach until after he had left the turnout. As soon as he discovered the wagon coming he brought his car to a standstill, he says, expecting that the driver of the truck would pull his wagon out of the car tracks and pass him.

He would have reversed his power and backed the car, he said, but for the fact that there were two cars behind him, these cars making the early trip. The motorman claims that he did all in his power to avert an accident. Another story told by the street railway is that when the driver of the truck pulled out of the car track the pole of the wagon struck a telegraph pole which threw the truck against the car and caught Capt. Gibson.

Immediately after the accident Capt. Gibson was placed on the electric car and taken to the Lawrence street fire house, where he was placed in bed and Dr. Edward J. Welch was summoned. Upon the arrival of the doctor an examination showed that Gibson was suffering from a broken collar bone. The patient is resting comfortably at the present writing.

The fire to which the truck was responding when the accident occurred was in one of Robert G. Bartlett's houses in Williams street. The fire started in the attic near the chimney and it was at first thought that the fire was caused by the chimney, but an investigation showed that it must have started from some other source.

When the department arrived the fire was burning in a brisk manner and a considerable portion of the roof was burned before the fire was placed under control.

Mohairs' Valentine party, Saturday night, Odd Fellows' temple.

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DEATHS

McQUADE—Mrs. Mary McQuade, aged 70 years, died this morning at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ellen T. Joyce, 22 Twelfth street.

The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon. Friends are requested not to send flowers.

HALEY—Andrew Haley, a well-known and highly respected resident of this city, passed away last night at his home, 190 Colburn street, at the age of 80 years. The deceased was born in Ireland, but when a young man came to this city and has resided here for the past 42 years. He was a devout and constant attendant at the Immaculate Conception church, having been a collector at that church since it was erected. He leaves to mourn his loss two daughters and one son, Margaret, Jane and James. He was one of the oldest employes of the Merrimack Manufacturing company, and for years resided in the Merrimack corporation.

DONOHOE—Grace Agnes Donohoe, aged four months, child of Frank and Catherine, died early this morning at the home of her parents, 41 Highland street.

DWYER—Ann Dwyer, aged 19 years, a devout attendant at St. Patrick's church, died yesterday at the St. Patrick's Working Girls' home in Cross street.

LOST—In Prescott hall or coming from there, Monday night, lady's breast pin, Japanese head, with several pearls and gold band underneath. Return to 245 Gorham street.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 10, 1904. The Committee on Banks and Banking will give a hearing to parties interested in Senate bill No. 41, Report of Commission to revise laws relating to trust companies; also Senate bill No. 1, that part of the Governor's address relating to trust companies, at room No. 448, State House, on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. E. L. Osgood, Chairman. Daniel J. O'Brien, Clerk of the Committee.

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SALVATION ARMY HALL, 33 Shattuck St.—A rummage sale will be held every Saturday. Open from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., commencing Feb. 20, 1904. Cast-off clothing, old furniture, etc., for this purpose will be accepted. Address post card to Salvation Army, 50 Chestnut street.

FROM YESTERDAY'S LATE EDITIONS

ANNUAL ROLL CALL

Mt. Vernon F. B. Church is Prosperous

The Mt. Vernon Free Baptist church held its annual roll call and supper last evening and encouraging reports were read by the various officers.

J. A. Coram presided and he was introduced as the "Copper King" of the west. He stated that although he had been a member of the church for a number of years, and his children had been baptized there, it was the first time he had ever occupied the pulpit as a presiding officer, and that he would plead ignorance if he did not conform strictly to the usual methods of procedure.

The entertainment of the evening was very pleasing. Rev. J. A. McKnight, the pastor of the Hillside Congregational church recited "Shamus O'Brien" and made a big hit.

Solos were rendered by Mr. Drew and Miss Elizabeth Huntley.

Speakers of the evening were Rev. J. M. Green, Rev. N. W. Matthews, Rev. D. B. Martin, Rev. A. E. Kenyon, Rev. Lewis Dexter and Mr. George L. Huntoon.

During the evening the pastor of the church, Rev. Stephen D. Millin, was presented a purse in behalf of the church by J. A. Coram.

The committee in charge consisted of W. O. Coram, chairman; Mrs. W. O. Coram, Mrs. L. S. Abbott, Mrs. Kilburn, Mrs. George Clark, Mrs. Nixon, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Brown.

Miss Etta Pierce and Mrs. Susie Richardson poured.

The waitresses were Miss Vena Coram, Mrs. Richardson and the Misses Etta Millin, Reina Winters, Lora Moore, Stella Bennett, Bessie Green, Emily Wrigley, Miss Willet and Miss Kimball.

WHIST PARTY

BY THE YOUNG MEN OF ST. LOUIS CHURCH.

A pleasant whist party was held last night under the auspices of the young men of L'Institute Canadien de Centralville at the clubhouse in Exeter street. The following were the prize winners:

First prizes, statue, Miss Eugenie Chouinard; ring, Albert Lucier; second, sofa pillow, Miss Mamie Plamondin; pack of cards, Miss Maud Leblanc; manicure set, Omer Desrosiers; gold pen, Gaspard Michaud; third prizes, bust of Wagner, Miss Leda Methott; tobacco jar, Charles Monette; fourth prizes, two tubs of lard, Miss Eva Mallee; cigars, C. Simard; collar and cuff box, Miss Emma Wagner; suspenders, Albert Rivet; bag of flour, Miss Eugenie Lepine.

The boobies were won by Miss Louise Joly and Mr. Joseph Masson. Prizes were also drawn for between the young ladies who scored the points, Miss Rosa Paquette winning a pretty gold pin, and also between those not playing cards, Mr. Wm. Faulcon, he winning a tie.

An enjoyable musical program was given after the whist by several of the young people present.

The committee in charge was Chas. L. Cordeau, chairman; Bernard Fortin, treasurer; Henri Blais, secretary; Rosario Paquette, assistant secretary.

Ernest J. Mallee was master of ceremonies.

Mrs. J. E. Maillee and Mrs. Henri Chaput were the matrons.

PERSONALS

Miss Blanche Abbott of Hill, N. H., has been visiting Lowell relatives.

Yesterday, H. W. Tarbell, the landscape architect, moved into his new house, 85 Myrtle street.

Miss Jennie Trull of Lowell has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Henry McGregor of West Chelmsford, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Parkhurst and Miss Alberta Parkhurst of Chelmsford, have removed to this city, Mr. Parkhurst having purchased a lodging house in Bridge street.

Godfred Blazon, who has been for the last five months confined to his bed with acute bronchitis, is now sitting up, though still very weak from the effects of the disease.

Edward F. Shea, a popular member of the Y. M. C. I., is slowly recovering from a recurrence of South African fever, contracted while a soldier in Hinke's Irish-American brigade, during the Boer war.

Mr. Daniel H. Light, who is well known in this city, but at present a mechanic and first-class gunner in the 87th company coast artillery heavy, stationed at Fort Wadsworth, N. Y., met with a very painful accident while on duty at the fort. A projectile weighing 575 lbs. dropped on his foot severing one of his toes.

The young ladies of the Middlesex laundry enjoyed a sleighride to Willow Dale last evening and tripped the light fantastic after arriving there. Shortly after 7.30 the start was made from the laundry at the corner of Western avenue and Fletcher street. At the Dale a turkey supper was served. The young ladies who managed the affair were the Misses Farrell and Briggs.

ENTERTAINED FRIENDS.

Miss Allona Harvey of 19 Read street, Centralville, entertained a few of her little friends on Saturday afternoon and evening. There were piano duets by Hazel Hardy and Allona Harvey; singing by the children; recitations by Marion Gordon and Lillian Hines. Games were played until about 6 o'clock, when all marched into the dining room, where a dainty lunch was served by Mrs. Harvey.

REVIVAL SERVICES.

At the First Congregational church, in the series of revival services being held there, Rev. George E. Lovejoy of Lawrence was the preacher last evening, having for his sermon subject, "Dost thou believe on the Son of God?"

THE MAPLESDEN MEETINGS.

A large audience greeted Evangelist Maplesden at Branch street Tabernacle, last night. A praise service preceded the preaching, led by Rev. Robert True. Miss Pierce sang several selections impressively. The theme of the evangelist was "Jesus' Revelation of the Future Life."

Scrofula

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CRAZY DRUNKS

Reay Brothers Punched Every One They Met

Punching men, women and children, right and left, the sport picked upon by Powell Reay, 28, and Thomas Reay, better known as "Sambo" Reay, 24, in Dutton street this forenoon and they didn't stop punching until they met Hugh Maguire. He arrested the ugly brothers and sent them to the police station.

Both men are well known to the police. They have been before the court several times for drunkenness and larceny. They have been drunk for the last four days and were in that condition when arrested.

One of the men had a full bottle of tonic in his possession when searched at the police station and it was reported to the police that he struck a man with the bottle, in Dutton street.

BIBLE LECTURE

FINE COURSE TO BE HEARD AT Y. M. C. A.

The local Young Men's Christian association has arranged a series of Bible lectures and is actively engaged in canvassing for subscribers. If three hundred course tickets can be disposed of the program will be carried out, otherwise it will be cancelled. The price for the entire five lectures has been placed at 50 cents, or 25 cents a single lecture.

Following are the lectures and speakers proposed:

Wednesday, March 2—"The Book and the Building," Rev. P. S. Henson, D.D., pastor Tremont Temple, Boston.

Wednesday, March 9—"The Bible Come to Stay," Rev. Smith Baker, D.D., pastor Williston Congregational church, Portland, Me.

Monday, March 21—"How We Got Our Bible," Rev. A. C. Dixon, D.D., pastor Ruggles Street Baptist church, Boston.

Wednesday, April 6—"A Horseback Trip Trough Palestine with Pencil and Camera," Frank Emery Baker, Malden. Illustrations by dissolving views, many of which are beautifully colored.

Wednesday, April 13—"How Readest Thou?" Rev. Jesse Lyman Hurlbut, D.D., pastor of Methodist Episcopal church, Morristown, N. J.

EXCITING RUNAWAY

IN WHICH MR. DAUPHEN WAS HURT.

There was a period of excitement on Merrimack street yesterday afternoon when a runaway horse came dashing past Palmer street and collided with a sleigh driven by H. Dauphen, clerk for Mr. Bourgeois. The latter was thrown to the street on his head, sustaining a cut on the face. His nose bled profusely for some time after. The owner of the runaway whose sleigh was shattered hurried from the scene, leaving Mr. Dauphen and the crowd in ignorance of his identity.

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE

GOING TO LAWRENCE SUNDAY EVENING.

There will be no meeting of the United Irish league Sunday evening, as the officers and some of the members have accepted the invitation of Dr. M. F. Sullivan of Lawrence to attend a meeting of the Lawrence branch at St. Mary's hall. They will leave on the 6.30 o'clock car and any member who wishes to go will be welcome.

The committee on hall and concert for St. Patrick's church will meet tomorrow night.

ROCHAMBEAU COUNCIL.

Rochambeau Council, Royal Arcanum, held an enthusiastic meeting last night at C. O. A. M. hall in Middle street. The new degree staff worked the Kempton ritual of the order on twelve members.

The council quartet consisting of the following members, Homer L. P. Turcotte, Dr. George E. Caisse, M. J. Cossette, Leon Crepeau, contributed vocal selections during the evening in an acceptable manner. Many officers and members of the other Lowell councils were present and received a hearty welcome.

Enthusiastic addresses were made by Grand Vice Regent Merritt S. Foye of Lynn, an honored guest of the council; District Deputy Grand Regent F. X. A. Hurlbutise and Past Grand Regent A. W. David.

A collation was served at the close of the exercises.

The council has 12 applications pending, and this number will probably be initiated at the next meeting. Rochambeau council was instituted April 22, 1903, and now has 68 members, with prospects of 200 members by the close of the year, and is one of the most active and prosperous councils in the city.

Mr. Z. A. Nomandin was presented with a solid gold watch charm for bringing in the greatest number of applications.

FUNERALS

PLUNKETT—The funeral of John Plunkett was held yesterday afternoon from his residence, 228 Lakeview avenue, and was largely attended. The bearers were James Burns, Hugh Golden, Cornelius Cooole, Martin Convery, Joseph Clark and Patrick Craig. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Dennis Murphy officiated at the grave. Undertaker McDermott had charge.

MALO—Marie Anna, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Malo, died Feb. 9 at her parents' residence, 5 Wiggin street, aged 6 months. Burial was yesterday afternoon in St. Joseph's cemetery, Undertaker Archambault having charge.

MONTMINY—The funeral of Alfred Montminy took place yesterday from his father's home, 28 Hancock avenue. The funeral services were held at St. Jean Baptiste church, Rev. Fr. Campeau, O. M. I., officiated, assisted by Rev. Frs. Fruillard and Claud, O. M. I., as deacons. The choir gave the harmonized mass of the dead. The bearers were Hector Blaillon, Romuald Blaillon, Rodrigue Duchesche, Arthur Masse, Alfred Morneau and Philipe Bergeron.

Burial was in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery, and Rev. Fr. Gratus, O. M. I., read the committal prayers at the grave. Undertaker Albert had charge of the funeral.

MR. KOCH'S RECITAL.

At Colonial hall, last evening, Mr. Frederick H. Koch gave a melo-dramatic impersonation of the old Spanish comedy, "Don Caesar de Bazan," for the benefit of the Ladies' Aid association of the Lowell General hospital.

SURPLUS WHEAT.

ADELAIDE, South Australia, Feb. 11—The surplus wheat of South Australia available for export is estimated at 3,500,000 bushels.

MEMORIAL HALL

Original Rules Forbade Smoking There

Supt. Conlon of the department of lands and buildings had a conference today with the mayor in relation to the care of Memorial hall and the rules governing it, anent the petition of the Molly Varnums for a hearing in regard to it. Supt. Conlon presented the mayor with a copy of the rules adopted way back in 1893 but which had been forgotten until Mr. Conlon came into office.

The rules provide against smoking in the hall or its ante-rooms, but nothing is said of the banquet hall upstairs.

The rules are as follows:

Rules and regulations relating to the occupancy of Memorial hall and the adjacent ante-rooms by the several grand army posts of the city of Lowell, adopted by the joint standing committee of the city council on lands and buildings.

1. The several posts of the Grand Army of the Republic in the city of Lowell; General B. F. Butler, Encampment Post 42; J. A. Garfield Encampment, Post 120; Ladd and Whitney, Post 185, are hereby authorized in pursuance of a resolution of the city council, dated May 23, 1893, to use and occupy that portion of the Memorial hall building, consisting of a hall and its adjacent ante-rooms, called Memorial hall, upon the following conditions and subject to the following regulations and restrictions, the same being subject to amendment or revision at any time by said committee.

2. The use and occupation of said hall and ante-rooms by the Grand Army Posts aforesaid, shall be limited to the regular business meetings of the order in accordance with its charter and ritual. The use of hall and ante-rooms shall be and is hereby limited to one night each week for each of said posts to be determined by said committee.

3. "Campfires," games and gatherings of a social nature are hereby absolutely prohibited in said hall and ante-rooms, and smoking therein is strictly forbidden.

4. The joint standing committee on lands and buildings shall have the care and custody of the hall and ante-rooms, and make all necessary repairs therein. And said committee shall also have the care and control of all the relics of an historical or educational character admitted to said hall or ante-rooms as a depository for the same, excepting only relics owned by said Grand Army Posts or either of them.

5. The arrangement and care of relics owned by the several Grand Army Posts shall be under the direction of the joint standing committee of lands and buildings of three members of said posts, one from each post acting together.

6. The several posts shall pay such annual rental for the use and occupation of said hall and ante-rooms as shall be determined by said committee, and such rental shall be paid quarterly to the city treasurer of the city of Lowell.

7. Nothing contained in these conditions shall prevent the use of said Memorial hall and its ante-rooms for municipal purposes, memorial exercises, or for any other purpose not inconsistent with the character of said building authorized by the city council.

HORSE KICKED

Didn't Like the Modern Hurdy Gurdy

A young horse belonging to Charles Clapp, and driven by one of his men, raised ructions in Merrimack street about opposite Pollard's store this forenoon. The horse had never heard a portable orchestra going at full blast and that was what scared him.

He had heard the common hurdy gurdy in old Kentucky, but the snare drum attachment and the noisy clatter of the new fangled combination of musical instruments that has been dispensing music, good, bad and indifferent, in the streets of Lowell for the last few months was more than he could stand. He didn't like it and he kicked.

The kick was the most vigorous that has been registered in the public street for many a moon. He kicked the dasher into kindling wood and continued to let go until he freed himself from the sleigh. The driver escaped uninjured and a young man, too modest to tell his name, stopped the excited horse.

DEATHS

PRICE—Miss Katherine T. Price, aged 29 years, died this morning at her home, 1075 Lakeview avenue, Dracut, after a lingering illness. Deceased was a much esteemed young lady of Dracut, and a devout attendant of St. Michael's church. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Ann Price, four brothers, Martin, Joseph, William and David, and one sister, Miss Margaret Price.

CREVIER—Mr. Joseph Crevier, aged 63 years, died yesterday afternoon at the Lowell hospital, where he had been confined since January 28, when he met with an accident in the Lawrence hosiery, his right hand being caught in a planing machine and almost torn from his arm. It was necessary to amputate the hand and later the forearm had to be amputated, which resulted in blood poison setting in which caused death. Mr. Crevier was a well known and highly respected French citizen. He had for the last eighteen years been a resident of the city and belonged to L'Union St. Joseph and the Holy Family sodality of St. Joseph's church. He leaves a wife, two sons, Adolphe and Gedeon Crevier of this city and three daughters, Mrs. Noe Hamel of Nashua and Misses Marie and Amanda Crevier of Lowell. The body of the deceased was removed to his home in Moody street.

WHIST.

The Wannalancit Whist club held another delightful meeting last evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis J. Devine, 9 Phillips street. There were five tables arranged and progressive whist was enjoyed from 8 till 10 o'clock. There were some very high scores made. Mr. John F. Saunders having 53 points, was awarded the gentleman's prize. Miss Margie Marren and Mrs. D. S. O'Brien each received 41 points, making a tie for the ladies' prize, which was finally decided in Miss Marren's favor. At the conclusion of whist, the party repaired to the dining room where a palatable spread was enjoyed. The remainder of the evening was devoted to a musical program.

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DIAMOND THIEF

Stole Rings Valued at More Than $300

The story in The Sun yesterday relative to the slick stranger who got away with jewelry valued at $300 in this city brought out the facts in the case from police headquarters today.

M. Stein, the Prescott street jeweler, was the man who was victimized. The slick jewelry thief who has operated throughout Massachusetts and in the west called at Mr. Stein's store Tuesday evening. Mr. Stein was not in the store at the time and the very suave and urbane stranger soon won the confidence of the unsuspecting clerk.

"I want to buy a diamond ring for my fiance," said the stranger, as he rubbed his kid-gloved hands and gently puffed a Turkish trophy. Then he went on and told the old, old story and the moth-eaten, bewhiskered, barnacled old trick worked to perfection.

He said he was rooming in Lawrence street and he gave the clerk the number. He said that his fiance was there and he asked the clerk to bring three diamond rings, that he had selected, to the room a little later, in order that his fiance might take her pick. The rings were valued at between three and four hundred dollars.

The slick stranger was at the house in Lawrence street when the clerk arrived and he received him with open arms. The rings were produced and then the devoted stranger called "Rosie, Rosie, Rosie," but Rosie didn't come. Moses, they say, went to the mountain because the mountain wouldn't come to Moses, and because Rosie didn't come when her true lover called he went to her and took the diamonds with him. That was the last the clerk saw of the slick stranger and he has yet to set eyes on Rosie. It was the same old scheme and it worked in the same old way. The slick stranger found his way to the street by another door. When in the world will we learn to be sensible?

BONUS FOR CONTRACTOR.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 11.—A despatch from Irkutsk, Siberia, says orders have been issued to have the railroad across the ice-covered lake Baikal completed by Feb. 28. The contractors have been promised a bonus of $1500 for each day's earlier completion.

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SUN WANTS ARE READ BY EVERYBODY

"MAJOR" TAYLOR

Is the Real Thing in Australia

LAWSON AND McFARLAND ARE OUT OF IT

When the Colored Wonder Is On Deck

"Major" Taylor has had a variety of experiences since he landed in Australia, but on the whole has been doing good work. Incidentally Lawson and McFarland have learned that it is not as easy to play tricks on the negro in the antipodes as it is here. McFarland was suspended for a month by the Australian authorities for cutting off Taylor in order to help Lawson, but he has since been reinstated.

Taylor, after being only two days in Australia, competed in a mile handicap against all the strongest men in that country. Taylor was put on scratch, and he ran away from the field, getting the jump on his opponents when it came to the sprint. The same day the "Major" started in a mile open, and won this event handily. The reception accorded to the "Major" is said to have been more spectacular than that of his previous visit. The most influential people in the country turned out to greet him, and the "Major's" great showing caused delight.

Four days after his first appearance in Australia he competed in a three-cornered match race, in which Iver Lawson and Floyd McFarland were the other starters. McFarland was in the race with the intention of teaming it with Lawson, in order to have Taylor defeated. After escaping several pockets that had been prepared for him, the "Major" brought thousands of spectators to their feet when he jumped the pair and got his sprint under way before Lawson and McFarland realized what had happened.

The "Major's" victory in this race was so sensational that he has since been in demand everywhere, as Lawson and McFarland, with the other American riders, had been cleaning up everything in Australia until the Worcester man landed and got his wheel in motion.

The latest advices from the land of the kangaroo report the results of a meeting at Sydney, New South Wales.

Lawson won the mile race and Taylor was second. Lawson was first in the three-mile contest and Taylor again second. Taylor was first in the five-mile race with McFarland second. Taylor was first in the ten-mile race, in which Lawson was second.

Before the races the disqualification against McFarland was removed and he was subjected to a fine.

The "Major" plans to be in France in April, and about the 15th of that month he will race there. On the last visit of the "Major" to Paris about eighty-five thousand persons paid admission to a race meet where he was entered. This season the Parisians are wild over the sport, and an even larger crowd is possible.

Under the terms of his New Zealand contract "Major" Taylor must be prepared to ride three races per week during its currency, and he will receive $1000 and his travelling expenses, exclusive of prizes he may win. It is characteristic of the negro that he stipulated by cable that he should not be required to race on Sunday or Christmas Day. As there is no Sunday racing in Australia, this demand was easily met.

STORMY SESSION

OF NATIONAL BASE BALL COMMISSION.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12. After a story executive session which lasted for five hours the national baseball commission adjourned last night until noon today without reaching any decision on the question of New York American league club's playing Sunday base ball in Ridgewood park on Long Island next season. Considerable routine business was transacted.

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SEARCH IS ENDED

Greenwald Found Body of His Wife

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—The long search of Frank R. Greenwald for the body of his wife, who lost her life in the Iroquois fire, has been rewarded. He has found the body buried at Elmwood as that of another woman.

Mr. Greenwald identified the body by the membrane connecting the first and second toes of the feet, and by two rings that were still on the hand. The body was burned beyond recognition of the features. If the theory of the police and the husband is true, a deliberate attempt to get possession of the body in order to obtain the money found upon it, has been uncovered. Mrs. Greenwald's body was taken to an undertaking establishment where it was numbered 34. The number was a duplicate, and on the other body numbered 34 was $500. A man who said he came from Montreal, Canada, claimed body 34, stating that $500 would be found on it. He secured a permit to take away this body. He claimed it as the body of his aunt, a woman 50 years of age. When he brought the permit to remove the body he found that it already had been identified as that of Mrs. Helen Miller, 25 years old.

When he found he could not get the body of Mrs. Miller he took the other one as his permit called for 34. This was the body of Mrs. Greenwald. He called an undertaker to care for the body and bury it. He explained his circumstances and upon promise that wealthy relatives would come to Chicago he obtained not only credit for the expense of the interment, but also the loan of a considerable sum from the undertaker. No money was found on Mrs. Greenwald's body.

The police have a good description of the Montreal man and his arrest is expected soon.

Greenwald's son also had been wrongly identified. He had been placed in a vault as Vernon Corbin. This mistake was discovered by Mr. Greenwald, 10 days after the fire.

CAPTAIN MAHAN

Comments on the First Naval Battle

NEW YORK, Feb. 11—"About all that can be said now is that while the Japanese have won the first battles, it does not settle anything," remarked Capt. Alfred T. Mahan, in discussing the usefulness of the orpedo boat in warfare, as shown by the news from Port Arthur.

"There is no absolute defence against attacks of the torpedo boat. Great vigilance—in fact, a constant state of siege, the use of torpedo nettings and other appliances may minimize the danger to a fleet, but it has always to expect that unexpected luncc that it has no parry for.

"As to the engagements off Port Arthur they do not settle anything. Neither side, in the light of my present information, has been sufficiently damaged to venture the statement that it has been weakened."

TWO PERISHED

Disastrous Fire in Kansas City, Mo.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 11.—Two persons lost their lives and four others were injured, one perhaps fatally in a fire today that destroyed a three-story brick apartment house at Fifteenth and Harrison streets in the southeastern part of the residence district. There were several narrow escapes and many persons jumped from the second and third story windows.

RHODE ISLAND G. A. R.

PAWTUCKET, R. I., Feb. 11.—A decrease of 81 during the year from the total membership of 1581 was the feature of the reports submitted at the meeting of the Rhode Island department G. A. R., which opened its 37th annual encampment in the local posts hall today. A very full representation of the state organizations was present. A recommendation that a law carrying into effect the provisions regarding the service pension adopted at the last national encampment be passed was made by Department Commander James S. Hudson. Officers were elected at noon.

The annual encampment of the woman's relief corps was held within a short distance of the veterans in the Methodist church, with President Mrs. Sarah McCartney presiding.

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CLEARING RUINS

3000 Laborers at Work in Baltimore

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 11.—Three thousand laborers reported to Street Cleaning Commissioner Wicks today. They were divided into squads and marched into the burned district. Accompanying the workmen were hundreds of carts and trucks.

Besides this force, several hundred railroad workmen began to take down the iron pillars and girders left standing around the ruins, which in their present position constitute an element of danger. The whole city has been aroused to the necessity of pushing forward the resurrection of the ruined district. The magnitude of this work may be realized when it is estimated that the mere cleaning away of the debris will cost about $2,000,000.

A number of individual merchants and bankers announced today that they have already made definite arrangements for the erection of new structures.

Already fully a thousand firms have found quarters in other parts of the city and others are still seeking places where to put only a desk. Desirable locations are scarce and old buildings which stood idle for years have been quickly seized by burned out concerns. In numerous instances business houses outside the fire area have given up portions of their buildings to unfortunate firms.

STEAMER NANTUCKET

COULD NOT BREAK THROUGH THE ICE.

NANTUCKET, Mass., Feb. 11.—After a long hard battle with the thick ice which surrounds this island, the steamer Nantucket was compelled to abandon the attempt to force a passage to the open sea. The steamer worked for several hours yesterday and last night and early today she returned to her dock with great difficulty. The Nantucket remained at her moorings during the day.

A thick northeast snowstorm set in this forenoon and it was considered inadvisable to make any further attempt to communicate with the main land at this time. The island is now in the grasp of an ice embargo more extensive than either of the others.

BROKEN HIP

MRS. CARSE FELL ON ICY PAVEMENT.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Mrs. Matilda B. Carse, founder of the Woman's Temple and one of the leaders of the National Woman's Christian Temperance union, has suffered a fall on an icy pavement which resulted in a broken hip. The outcome of the injury is uncertain.

Mrs. Carse's sons are in New York.

CARRY FIREARMS

BILL TO ALLOW FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS THE RIGHT.

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—The right of fraternal organizations to carry firearms or the advantage to the commonwealth in permitting them to do it, was the subject discussed yesterday before the committee on military affairs. The matter has been threshed out year after year without resulting in any amendment of the present law, which forbids the carrying of firearms by organizations outside the militia.

Yesterday Representative Peloquin of Fall River urged the passage of the bill, which permits the carrying of arms by outside fraternal organizations. Through such permission he believed the commonwealth would add to its military strength.

Hon. George Fred Williams appeared as another advocate of the bill. Under the present militia system, he said, there is no social bond between the companies, and hence the militia is not atractive to young men. Mr. Williams said at the time of the Spanish war he had started out to raise a regiment, and got men enough within 24 hours. Most of them, he said, came from fraternal organizations.

The bill was favored by Hugh McGrath of Fall River, a member of the G. A. R., and by Senator Chace and a number of representatives from Bristol county.

It was opposed by William Kershaw of Fall River, and the hearing was closed.

CHANGES COLOR

MAYOR OF STAMFORD HAS TURNED REPUBLICAN.

STAMFORD, Conn., Feb. 11.—Mayor Charles H. Leeds, who since he became mayor last year has done lots of queer things, startled the town last night by announcing that he has decided to leave the democratic party and support the republicans. Leeds inherited wealth, graduated from Princeton, wrote a tract against the Westminster confession and last fall entered Yale to take a course in political economy. He obtained political prominence a few years ago by getting ministers to sign a petition to party managers against the use of money in elections. Then he ran for several offices, without success, contributing liberally to the democrats and spent money lavishly in his campaign for mayor, when he defeated Charles H. Lounsbury. Democrats are furious and say he should resign as mayor. He says he will not.

"It is a fact that when I was elected mayor," said Mr. Leeds, "I was heart and soul a democrat, and I honestly believe that the best ends for the city and state would be attained by advancing the principles of democracy. I may say that I am yet a democrat in theory, but, don't you know, theories do not run governments."

COMMENCEMENT OFFICERS.

ORONO, Me., Feb. 11.—These commencement officers were elected by the senior class at the University of Maine today;

Valedictorian, Carroll F. Chaplin, Portland; historian, Ralph W. E. Kingsbury, Brewer; poet, Lennie P. Copeland, Bangor; orator, Thomas F. Taylor, Bangor; address to undergraduates, Edwin S. Broadwell, Cleveland, Ohio; odist, Clyde D. Giles, Skowhegan; statistician, Alvah R. Small, South Portland; marshal, Edward A. Parker, Skowhegan; assistant marshal, Alec G. Taylor Sullivan; chairman class day committee, Roy H. Flynt, Augusta.

EXCHANGES AND BALANCES.

BOSTON, Feb. 11—Exchanges $21,291,441; balances $1,636,609.

USED DYNAMITE

Attempt to Blow up a Bridge

ANSONIA, Conn., Feb. 11.—An attempt was made last night to blow up the railroad bridge being erected for the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad across the Naugatuck river here. Apparently the object was to wreck one of the abutments and also a big traveling crane, which the contractors, the Boston Bridge Co., had placed in position for handling girders. Little damage was done. The bridge watchman was in his shanty when he heard an explosion, and looking out saw four men running away. Later seven sticks of dynamite were found about the structure. No arrests have been made but the police are working on the theory that the attempt was connected in some way with troubles which are alleged to have been threatened, following the bridge company's refusal to employ only union men on the bridge.

Recently Joseph Clancey, a walking delegate of the Bridge Workers' union, who came here from Bridgeport to look after union interests, was stabbed by unknown assailants. He is now in the New Haven hospital.

JAPANESE TROOPS ARE IN SEOUL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11—Two cablegrams were received at the state department from Minister Allen at Seoul, dated Feb. 10, both referring to the naval engagements off Chemulpo on the 8th and 9th. The minister in his first despatch reports the arrival of 21 Japanese naval vessels at Chemulpo on the afternoon of the 9th. Two Russian naval vessels, the Variag and Korietz were in Chemulpo harbor and attempted to prevent the landing of Japanese forces but with no success. The foreign naval vessels, the minister says, were generally leaving the harbor. There was a report that the Japanese naval vessels had captured a Russian transport off Makpo on the 9th.

The second despatch says:

"A running naval engagement took place in Chemulpo harbor beginning about noon. The Variag and the Korietz again attempted to escape but failed. The Variag was injured. On their return the Japanese vessels announced officially that they would attack the place at four o'clock p.m. At the latter hour the Korietz blew up and sank. She was a slow vessel which made it difficult for her to escape. The Japanese naval vessels attacked the Variag from the outside harbor until she sank. Twenty-five hundred Japanese troops are in Seoul.

SHE WAS DYING

Consumption's Deadly Grasp Broken by Blood Wine.

Mr. S. Raynor, 1256 Third St., S. E., Washington, D. C., says:

"In August last my daughter Elsie was taken with the typhoid fever; she was in the care of two physicians for about two months, expecting her to die every day. After the fever broke both doctors said it had left her with consumption, and that it was only a question of a few days, and that they could do nothing more for her. She then could not raise her hands over her head. My wife suggested that we try 'Blood Wine,' as the doctors had ceased to give her any medicine. We commenced the 'Blood Wine' with excellent results. After taking the first bottle she got out of bed and sat in an invalid chair, and after the second bottle she came downstairs and kept on improving right along until she had taken six bottles, and now she is as well and strong as she ever was in her life, and if you should see her you would not think there were any signs of consumption."

Read what Mr. Peter Berry of Pearl St., Augusta, Me., who was a very sick man, says:

"A very hard cold settled on my lungs, causing a most obstinate cough that no medicine given me would relieve. During many months I suffered untold misery, my lung trouble growing worse. My physician was baffled and finally told me I would have to go to a warmer climate. I saw 'Blood Wine' advertised and decided to try it. After taking it regularly I was greatly pleased with its results and am now well. My astounding recovery was a surprise to my physicians. Those whom I have since advised to use it believe with me that it is the greatest medicine in the world."

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STRUCK BY CAR

Bad Coasting Accident at Brockton

BROCKTON, Feb. 11.—A double runner loaded with 12 boys coasting on West Ashland street was struck by an Avon bound electric car about 5 yesterday afternoon and three of the boys sustained serious injuries.

Stephen Fitzpatrick, 14 years old, of East Ashland street, has one leg broken above the ankle. He was taken to his home.

Frank Maguire, 9 years old, son of Mrs. Nellie Maguire of 102 West Ashland street, had his left leg broken and was taken to the Emergency hospital. He lost considerable blood and his leg was so badly crushed apparently by the car wheel that amputation below the knee was found necessary. Some fear is expressed that the shock will prove fatal.

Edward Sullivan, the 14-year-old son of William Sullivan, 71 East Ashland street, had his right leg broken below the knee and this right arm badly bruised and sprained. Frank Burns and John Stiles of East Ashland were both badly cut and bruised, but their injuries are not serious. The other seven boys escaped with slight injuries.

The West Ashland street incline is quite steep and slopes toward North Main street. It is covered with ice and the boys had been sliding there yesterday afternoon going at high speed, but steering to one side and avoiding crossing the North Main car tracks.

Louis Lefavor, who was steering, was unable to make the turn. He saw the car approaching, but thought the sled would cross ahead of it. The car struck it opposite the rear sled, throwing Fitzpatrick to one side and running into Maguire, who occupied a rear place on the sleds.

In obedience to orders night patrolmen sought out coasting places on travelled streets or where the same intersect streets used by electric cars and all coasters were ordered off.

MEN STENOGRAPHERS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Women employed as stenographers and in various other clerical positions by the Erie railroad company, will, it is reported, be displaced gradually by young men. They will not be forced out but when one leaves the service voluntarily her position will be filled by a man.

It is stated by an official of the company that this policy has been adopted for purely business reasons due to limited qualifications of the gentle sex in railroad work and the impossibility of advancing them to higher positions.

PRIZE FIGHTING

CITY SOLICITOR GIVES DEFINITION OF IT.

PORTLAND, Me., Feb. 11.—City Solicitor Scott Wilson had submitted to him by Mayor Baxter and the committee on public buildings the questions: "What constitutes a prize fight?" and "Are sparring matches to be so considered?"

The law is as follows: "Whoever instigates, or aids in getting up, or acts as umpire, or judge, or is anyway connected with, or participates in, any prize fight or premeditated fight between two persons shall be punished by imprisonment in jail for not less than 10 days nor more than six months or by fine not exceeding $200."

Mr. Wilson is of the opinion that a contest, in which the victor receives a larger percentage of the receipts than the defeated party, is a prize fight.

He also holds that the wearing of of gloves does not bring sparring events less within the meaning of the term "premeditated fights" if the parties intended and endeavored to strike each other with such force and upon such parts of the person as would be most likely to render the other either unable to continue, or to do so under such obvious disadvantages as to make the superiority of the other contestant manifest to the referee or umpire.

He holds that exhibitions where parties simply try to show their skill in the art of self-defence, even though a referee bases his decision on points made, is not prohibited, but the intention of knocking out an opponent on the part of the parties would make the match a prize fight.

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1 3-lb. can Best Tomatoes		.12	.01
1 lb. Best Mocha & Java Coffee		.40	.20
½ lb. Best Formosa Oolong Tea		.35	.18
1 pkg. Voight Cream Flakes Breakfast Food		.15	.10
¼ lb. pkg. Pure Black Pepper		.12	.07
¼ lb. pkg. Best Shredded Coconut		.10	.05
5-lb. bag Best Table Salt		.10	.06
1 lb. Soda Biscuit		.10	.06
3 large California Oranges		.10	.06
1 bar "Golden Rose" Laundry Soap		.05	.03
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PANAMA TREATY

Vote Will be Taken Next Week

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The senate will vote on the Panama canal treaty on some day between Feb. 15 and 23. An agreement was reached in executive session today to take action on Monday next to decide upon a time for voting on the treaty and it was determined that such date should be on or before Feb. 23.

IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—At the beginning of the session today the senate adopted a joint resolution authorizing a survey to determine whether a tide-water ship canal across the state of Florida is feasible.

The senate then at 12.32 p. m., on motion of Mr. Cullom went into executive session for the consideration of the Panama canal treaty.

IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—When the house convened today Mr. Foss (Ill.) chairman of the naval affairs committee, reported the naval appropriation bill. Consideration of the senate amendment to the urgent deficiency appropriation bill which was pending when the house adjourned yesterday, was resumed. The pending amendment was the proposed loan of $4,600,000 to the Louisiana purchase exposition.

Mr. Crumpacker (Ind.) and Mr. Bartholdt (Mo.) spoke in favor of the loan.

Mr. Hinshaw (Neb.) said the money would be better applied if given to the rural free delivery carriers throughout the country or to the old soldiers of the union instead of to the St. Louis fair. He opposed the loan.

Mr. Burkett (Neb.), said the money should be used in constructing public buildings and complained that telegrams had come telling members how to vote. Mr. Burkett in opposing the loan said they had been taught economy and added:

"I say it is a wrong time now under the force of all this great lobby which has been at work around these halls and which sits in these galleries and looks down upon and watches our every action and which has even started the telegraph wires to hum toward every man who dares stand up and protect the treasury against raids that have been made from this section."

Mr. Smith (Iowa), and Mr. Rodenberg (Ill.), argued for the loan, while Mr. Dalzell (Pa.), Mr. Richardson (Ala.), and Mr. Lawrence (Mass.), voiced their opposition to it.

Mr. Sherman (N. Y.), announced that he was favorable to the loan. Mr. Lovering (Mass.), did likewise. Mr. Grosvenor (Ohio), said he was opposed to the proposed loan and gave his reasons.

MISS DEMPSEY ILL

FAMILY'S TRIP TO CALIFORNIA WAS ABANDONED.

Mrs. Patrick Dempsey and family of Salem street, who recently made preparations for an extended visit to southern California, have abandoned their trip on account of the sudden and serious illness of the youngest member of the family, Miss Edith Dempsey.

The family had made all preparations to leave even to disposing of their horses and closing their house when word was received that Miss Edith while visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Phelan of Lynn, had been taken suddenly ill, and her condition was such as to make a transcontinental trip out of the question.

TO FIGHT TRUST.

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—Twenty-five independent tobacco manufacturers from various parts of the country who do business in New England voted at a meeting in this city today to adopt every honorable means to combat the combination of tobacco interests in its alleged boycott of independent goods in the jobbing trade. It was arranged that a definite plan of procedure would be decided upon at another meeting to be held in the evening.

SPOT COTTON.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Cotton spot closed quiet, 65 points higher; middling uplands 14.80; mid gulf 15.05; sales, 100 bales.

GAS COMPANIES' SUIT HEARD.

BOSTON, Feb. 11—A hearing on its merits of the suit of George W. Pepper, receiver of the Bay State Gas company of Delaware against various Boston gas companies and other defendants, including the Mercantile Trust company of New York and Receiver George D. Hallock of the Bay State Gas company of New Jersey, was begun here today before Judge Loring in the supreme judicial court. The purpose of the bill is to have the sale of the Boston gas companies to Kidder, Peabody & Co. for alleged purposes of combination, set aside on the ground that it was brought about by fraud.

ANOTHER CHANCE

For Master Printers to Get Injunction

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—After intimating that he believed the master printers were entitled to some kind of an injunction, Justice Loring gave the United Typothetae of America leave to withdraw in the supreme judicial court today, in the case of their petition to have the union pressmen of Boston, restrained from striking in sympathy with the job compositors on the ground that the plaintiff's bill was defective. This action was taken, however, with the understanding that the employing printers would later present an amended petition which would be suitable to the court. Judge Loring held that the allegations of the petition were insufficient, that they would lead to confusion and that the point was not made clear whether any existing agreement had been broken, so that an injunction would be justified.

OYSTER TRADE SHORTAGE.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 11.—Owing to the ice conditions in the Providence river and tributary rivers, an extensive shortage in the oyster trade is extremely likely in the near future. Ice in the Warren and Kikimuit rivers, whence much of the oyster trade is supplied, was so thick this morning as to preclude the dredging of any of the beds and should a thaw take place, it will be a number of days before the interrupted trade can be continued to any extent.

BANK PRESIDENT RESIGNS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11—Henry W. Cannon, owing to the fact that his health requires frequent absences and desiring to relieve himself from continued responsibility, has tendered his resignation as president of the Chase National bank, which the directors accepted, and in order to continue his identification with the bank's management, elected him chairman of the board. A. B. Hepburn, the vice president of the Chase National, and formerly comptroller of the currency, was elected president. Albert H. Wiggin was elected a director and vice president to succeed Mr. Hepburn and has accepted. Mr. Wiggin was for many years prominent in banking circles in Boston.

WALL STREET GOSSIP.

10.10 a.m.—A few stocks resisted the declining tendency at the opening today but the majority went a fraction lower apparently in sympathy with the depression in foreign markets. Pennsylvania fell ⅜ and then recovered.

11 a. m.—Attempts to advance prices met no concerted resistance for a time and the rise was helped by large taking of Brooklyn Transit which benefited it 1¼. Penna. called a point to 114, and St. Paul, Missouri Pacific, Baltimore & Ohio, Rock Island and Amalgamated also made gains of ½ each. Free selling of New York Central and St. Paul started realizing in all quarters and the market fell back. New York Central reacted from 116 to 111 and Brooklyn Transit lost its rise, lee pfd. gained 1 while Northwestern yielded 1 and Colorado & Southern second pfd. 1⅛. Prices rose again before 11 o'clock but business was small.

Noon—Brooklyn Transit and U. S. Steel pfd. hardened slightly but did not hold. New York Central also recovered its decline and then fell a point. Allis-Chalmers gained 1. The market generally was semi-stagnant. Losses of a point were shown by Louisville & Nashville, Delaware & Hudson and New York, Chicago & St. Louis. Hocking Valley dropped 6⅞ on two sales. Bonds were easy.

1 p. m.—The absence of any buying of consequence caused selling of selected stocks, notably Illinois Central, which fell 1⅛. New York Central was feverish and after scoring a full recovery got back to the lowest again. General Electric ran off 1 and Chicago Terminal pfd. 1¼, but the market generally was at a standstill.

CHAMBERLAIN GONE TO CAIRO.

LONDON, Feb. 11—Joseph Chamberlain started for Cairo, Egypt today on a prolonged holiday.

Lady Curzon of Kedleston (formerly Miss Leiter of Chicago) wife of the Viceroy of India and their children arrived in London today.

FACTORIES CLOSED.

LANCASTER, Pa., Feb. 11.—The condition of the Susquehanna river from the Dauphin county line practically to the Maryland border, is most menacing. From McCall's ferry to Safe harbor there are from three to five feet of water on the tracks of the Columbia and Port Deposit railway and north of Safe harbor, to near Cresswell, the tracks are inundated at various places. The river was 15 feet above low water mark at Columbia today causing a number of industrial plants to shut down.

CARNEY SOLD OUT.

CONCORD, N. H., Feb. 11 John J. Carney of Manchester, former manager of the Concord New England league baseball team, today transferred to a local syndicate his half interest in the club. All of the stock in the association which owns the local club and franchise is now held in Concord.

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Fancy Smoked Shoulders	8c lb.
Best Salt Pork Ribs	7c lb.
Excellent Hamburg Steak	7c lb.
10 lbs. Best Standard Granulated Sugar	48c

Pure Leaf Lard	10c lb.
10 lb. pail Pure Lard	95c
10 lb. pail Cooking Lard	85c
1 lb. pkg. Mince Meat	7c
4 pkgs.	25c
1 lb. pkg. Seeded Raisins	10c
1 lb. pkg. Cleaned Currants	9c
Mixed Pork	7c lb.
Hand Picked Pea Beans	8c qt.
Best Yellow Eye Beans	10c qt.
Best Kidney Beans	11c qt.
Best Green Peas	7c qt.
2 lbs. Kennedy's Common Crackers	9c

2 lbs. Kennedy's Ginger Snaps	9c
Kennedy's Soda Crackers	5c lb.
Kennedy's Fig Bars	10c lb.
Kennedy's Tea Biscuits	8c lb.
Kennedy's Graham Crackers,	10c lb.
Very Good Coffee	15c lb.
Very Best Pure Java and Mocha Coffee	25c lb.
Very Good Tea	20c lb.
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From Late Editions Yesterday

MAY "QUEER" IT

Legislative Committee May Not Come Here

TO GIVE A PUBLIC HEARING

As Result of Last Night's Affair

As the result of the appropriations hearing held last night it is now hardly probable that the proposed hearing by the legislative committee on the petitions to have the police commissioners appointed by the governor and to have them elected by the people will be held in this city as was originally proposed by the committee.

At the time that it was proposed some of the Lowell members of the legislature stated that public hearings in this city seldom amounted to much and advised against a local hearing but the committee was of the opinion that a better expression of opinion would be given by a hearing at Lowell and spoke to the mayor about it. His Honor promised to consider the matter and inform the committee as to the success of the hearing held last night.

This morning His Honor said to The Sun reporter: "I shall send the committee a copy of each of the local papers containing a report of the hearing and express no comment. If the committee still desires to come to Lowell for a hearing we will be pleased to receive them."

BOLD HOUSE THIEF

Failed to Locate Bank Books and Cash

Between 3 and 5 o'clock Monday afternoon, a thief, evidently familiar with the premises, took the key from under the mat at the door of Mrs. Joseph MacDonald's tenement in the Cawley block in Perry street, and ransacked the house from cellar to attic.

The thief tossed beds and clothing regardless of color or description and he carried away with him a gold watch, two gold chains and a few other articles of jewelry.

Despite the apparent thoroughness of his search, however, the thief failed to locate two bank books and $50 in cash that were laid away in a bureau drawer, secure in the environment of a towel. The police although they refuse to talk about the robbery, rather insinuate that they have a pretty good idea who did the job.

MILL TREASURERS

Have Asked for Extension of Time

Rep. W. H. I. Hayes today presented to the legislature the petition of W. S. Southworth, Charles A. Lovering and other mill treasurers, that the law requiring that the annual meeting of stockholders be held within sixty days after the close of the fiscal year, be amended so that the time will be extended to ninety days after the close of the fiscal year.

FINGERS CAUGHT

JOHN McENANEY WAS PAINFULLY HURT.

John McEnaney, residing at 375 Gorham street and employed at Simpson & Rowland's in Middle street, met with a painful accident this afternoon. He was lifting a barrel of flour off a sleigh when the barrel slipped and he had the middle and fourth fingers of his left hand jammed between the barrel and a nail which was protruding from the sleigh.

He was taken to the Emergency hospital where both fingers were dressed.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

DEPARTMENTS ARE TAKING ACCOUNT OF STOCK.

The different departments of the city are taking account of stock at the request of the auditor who wants the information for his annual report which is now in preparation.

MONTH'S MIND MASS.

A month's mind mass for the repose of the soul of the late James A. Saunders was celebrated in the chapel at Notre Dame Academy this morning by Rev. Edward F. Saunders, a brother of the deceased.

IN TEWKSBURY

LADIES' AID SOCIETY HAD A PLEASANT EVENING.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Congregational church held a very pleasant meeting last evening.

Supper was served in the vestry at 7 o'clock, the committee in charge of the supper including Mrs. Phelps, Mrs. Carley, Mrs. Minchin, Mrs. Forristall, Mrs. Clerk. The entertainment was omitted, as some of those who were to have taken part in the short farce, "No Cure, No Pay," were unable to be present.

FUNERALS

NORRIS—The funeral of the late Addie F. Norris took place yesterday afternoon from her late home 78 Walker street. Prayers were read by Rev. G. F. Kenngott, and there was singing by Mrs. Jenkins and Mrs. Daniel Floyd. The remains were sent to Meredith, N. H. today for burial by Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

JOHNSON—The funeral services of Mrs. Lucy A. Johnson were held yesterday afternoon from her late home, 68 W. Sixth street, Rev. C. G. Fisher officiated, assisted by Dr. G. E. Martin. Singing by quartet, Mrs. Sherburne, Mrs. Gelino, Mr. Burker and Mr. Snellman. The bearers were Walter E. Edgell, Hutchins Parker, Allen Parker, Marcus Cole, Coolidge Bennett and Roy Bennett. There was a profusion of flowers.

Burial was in the Edson cemetery, J. A. Weinbeck in charge.

DULLIGAN—The funeral of the late Thomas H. Dulligan took place this morning at 9 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Undertaker C. H. Molloy in Market street. A high mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Peter's church at 9.30 o'clock by Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan. The choir under the direction of Mr. John Warburton sang the Gregorian mass and during the service several appropriate selections were rendered by members of the choir.

The bearers were Messrs. Martin Heron, James Kane, John Donohue, John Convery and Daniel McVey.

The interment was in the Catholic cemetery where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Heffernan. There was a profusion of beautiful and appropriate floral offerings in evidence, showing the esteem in which the deceased was held by his many friends and acquaintances, the following being the most prominent: Large pillow, bearing the inscription "Husband," from the wife of the deceased. There were friends present from Lawrence and Boston. The funeral was under the direction of Funeral Director Charles H. Molloy.

DUNBAR MEETING

WARD THREE REPUBLICANS ORGANIZE IN HIS SUPPORT.

With all the emphasis of robust-lunged 200 pounder and all the eloquence of a jury-seducing barrister, Frank E. Dunbar declared last night to his friends of ward three: "I am for Roosevelt."

It matters not how Bill Hayes may be, Mr. Dunbar is for Roosevelt and he said so last night in a manner that left no doubt as to how he stood.

The occasion was a meeting of the ward three republicans, barring John S. Stratton, who was talking Cook wells and "evaporation" at City hall, held under the auspices of the ward three republican committee, of which Isaac E. Wotton is chairman. Mr. Dunbar was invited to be present, and being a candidate for the republican national convention he accepted the invitation and shortly after the meeting was called to order appeared in the ward room, escorted by Col. A. M. Chadwick and E. B. Conant. All the local patriots were present, from ex-Alderman John C. Wilson down to Charles Copeland, who isn't playing in very good luck politically these days, and after Mr. Dunbar had declared himself the doubtful ones and the skeptic threw up their hands and rooted for Mr. Dunbar.

Ex-Mayor Wilson and Col. Chadwick were the first speakers and they referred to Mr. Dunbar's unquestioned ability and his good work for the party.

Mr. Dunbar declared himself a loyal republican and an ardent Roosevelt man. As such he had consented to be a candidate before any other name was mentioned for the nomination as delegate to the republican convention. He solicited the support of ward three republicans on those lines and hoped to merit their full confidence and support.

RUSSIAN STEAMER REPORTED DESTROYED

LONDON, Feb. 11. Lloyd's agent at Shanghai cabling under date of yesterday, says it is reported and generally believed that a Japanese warship has destroyed the Russian mail steamer Mongolia, bound from Shanghai for Dalny. The cablegram adds that the three Russian warships damaged by torpedoes at Port Arthur sank.

RUSSIAN SAILORS MADE PRISONERS

LONDON, Feb. 11. A despatch to the St. James Gazette, from Tokio under today's date says:

There are great rejoicings here at the successes of the Japanese navy. The public buildings, residences and business houses are decorated with flags. Bunting is to be seen everywhere. Tokio wears the aspect of a city of conquerors.

A number of Russian blue jackets who swam ashore after the Japanese attack on the Variag and the Korietz have been made prisoners.

Reports from Chemulpo say that both the Variag and Korietz hoisted the white flag at the last moment.

THE RUSSIAN TROOPS ARE GETTING READY

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The St. Louis Gazette correspondent at Chefoo cables that in anticipation of the return of the enemy's fleet, the Russians at Port Arthur are adopting extra defensive measures. Workmen and troops are taking down high brick buildings which, it was feared, would fall and cause loss of life in the event of a Japanese bombardment.

5000 JAPANESE ENTERED SEOUL

PARIS, Feb. 11.—The foreign office received a despatch this morning dated yesterday reporting that 5000 Japanese troops are encamped near Seoul, Korea, some of which have entered the town. It is added that quiet prevails there.

No mention is made in the despatch of the presence of the Korean emperor at the French legation, where he has been reported to have sought refuge, and, therefore, the authorities here place no credence in their report.

Regarding the announcements that Russian sailors from the Variag and Korietz, sunk by the Japanese off Chemulpo, had sought refuge on the French cruiser Pascal, which are confirmed, the foreign office says the French commander offered them assistance only in the interest of humanity, that no protest on the subject has been made by the Japanese government and that the refugees will be sent to Russia. They will probably be required to give their parole not to serve again during the war.

JAPANESE TROOPS WERE REPULSED

PARIS, Feb. 11. The Times says it has received confirmation from official sources of the report from Port Arthur that the Japanese attempted to make a landing at the bay at Port Arthur and were immediately repulsed.

SECRETARY HAY TO THE POWERS

PARIS, Feb. 11—The Temps says the following is the substance of Secretary Hay's note to the powers on the subject of the neutrality and integrity of China:

"Consult with the government to which you are accredited with the view of learning if, in order to avoid the possible outbreak of troubles in China and to limit the prejudice of war on neutral commerce, it will not be proper to respect the neutrality of the administrative entity of China."

Mr. Hay's phrase "administrative entity" is not clear to the officials here; but they say he does not seem to mean the "integrity of China."

GERMANY'S AIMS ARE LIKE OURS

BERLIN, Feb. 11—The German foreign office says Germany's aims in the far east are identical with those of the United States, as expressed in Secretary Hay's note, regarding the neutralization of China, localizing the field of war and keeping the Chinese ports open to all traders.

THE BALTIC FLEET IS EXPECTED SOON

BERLIN, Feb. 11.—The Lokal Anzeiger says notification has been received of the proposed passage of the Russian Baltic fleet, consisting of 15 warships through the Kaiser Wilhelm canal on its way to the far east.

GREAT BRITAIN BITTERLY ASSAILED

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 11.—Repeating the charge that the Japanese attack on Port Arthur was made from Wei Hai Wei, the Novoe Vremya today bitterly assails Great Britain.

"In allowing Japan to use the harbor as a basis of operations," says the Novoe Vremya, "Great Britain violated the fundamental principles of neutrality. Wei Hai Wei must be regarded henceforth as part of Japanese territory and Great Britain has forfeited the right to participate in any deliberations over the eventual fate of the harbor."

The Novoe Vremya further holds that the case is analogous to that of the Alabama and says Russia is entitled to demand compensation from Great Britain for the losses she has suffered.

RUSSIA WANTS TO ENTER CANAL

LONDON, Feb. 11. The report that Russia is attempting to arrange with Turkey to permit the Black Sea fleet to pass through the Dardanelles is revived and it is added that Russia is trying to secure Great Britain's consent. There is no confirmation of the report in authoritative quarters.

The Russian volunteer fleet steamer Czaritza and a torpedo boat have arrived here.

UNITED STATES NOTIFIED OF WAR

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11—Secretary Hay has now been officially notified by both Russia and Japan of the existence of war and from both have had requests that the United States remain neutral. The Russian notification was made yesterday, while the Japanese was delivered today, through Minister Takahira when he called upon Secretary Hay at the state department. The two requests will serve as a basis of the forthcoming neutrality proclamation.

It was intended to issue this early today but as some question arose concerning the application of the neutrality laws to American shipping and also to the specification of articles that might be regarded as contraband of war, it was decided that the draft should be submitted to the attorney general and the secretary of war for approval.

ALL IS QUIET AT PORT ARTHUR

PARIS, Feb. 11.—The Journal Des Bats in a special despatch from St. Petersburg announces that a bombardment of Port Arthur occurred the day before yesterday and again yesterday, and says that the Japanese fleet withdrew after having suffered severe losses. Today, it is added, all is quiet off Port Arthur.

VARIAG'S CAPTAIN BLEW UP SHIP

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The Reuter Telegram company's correspondent at Tokio in a despatch timed 9.15 p. m., yesterday says:

"Details of the Chemulpo engagement received here say the captain of the Variag remained on board his ship and blew her up after the crew escaped. Part of the crew swam to a French ship and others got ashore.

"One report says that the French warship notified Russians of the Japanese approach. The Korietz engaged the Japanese cruisers first, while the Variag protected the transports. The Korietz was soon destroyed."

MARTIAL LAW

HAS BEEN PROCLAIMED IN HONDURAS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11—The state department has been informed through some of its consuls in Honduras that a revolution is imminent in that country. Martial law has been proclaimed and a number of arrests have been made.

The state department promptly communicated with the navy department upon the subject and the result was a direction to Admiral Glass, the senior officer at Panama, to dispatch one of his warships to Honduras to protect American interests in case of uprising.

ROAD MAKERS ELECT OFFICERS.

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 11—At the American road makers' association convention today the first speaker was Gov. N. J. Bachelder of New Hampshire. The secretary reported present 1120 delegates, representing 29 states of the union.

The following officers were chosen:

President, James H. MacDonald, New Haven, Conn.; treasurer, William P. Dudson, New York; secretary, W. L. Dickinson, Springfield, Mass.

The constitution of the association was changed to allow the officers to appoint a vice president from each state in the union. Papers were read by Hon. A. M. Johnson, state highway engineer of Maryland; John H. Edwards, chairman state board of public roads, Rhode Island; Hon. W. P. White, chairman of the board of supervisors, New York; F. C. Wilcox, Syracuse, N. Y.; William L. Dickinson, president of Connecticut Valley Highway association, and James W. Abbott, U. S. department of agriculture.

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MORE CRUISERS

Wanted by Naval Affairs Committee

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—In the report on the naval appropriation bill, made to the house today by Chairman Foss, of the naval affairs committee, the gauntlet thrown down by Senator Gorman, in his announced policy of internal improvements in place of naval construction, is taken up with vigor. The report says:

"The committee recommend the construction of more than the usual number of cruisers in view of the fact that last year we provided for five large battleships. This will give a better proportion to our navy.

"If we judge public sentiment aright it is in favor of the continuance of the policy of building up our navy. If we stopped now we would be left behind the leading countries of the world.

"The American people will not introduce the policy of sacrificing the American navy for internal improvements, nor is there any such necessity.

"Foremost and above all must stand considerations of national defence, maintenance of foreign policies and protection of American citizens, everywhere. The American people are not willing to lessen their influence on this hemisphere, nor forsake their interests on the other."

The appropriation for new ships for the navy as well as the completion of those now under construction, is dealt with in the report as follows:

"To complete all the ships authorized up to the present time, including their construction and machinery, armor and armament and equipment, will cost $82,718,659, which may be divided as follows:

"Construction and machinery, $46,532,450; armor and armament, $35,786,209; equipment, $400,000.

"Of this sum, we appropriate in this bill $19,826,860 for construction and machinery, and $12,000,000 for armor and armament, making a total of $31,826,860, which leaves a balance of $50,891,699 to be appropriated hereafter."

The ships authorized are:

One first class battleship of 16,000 tons, cost $7,775,000; two first class armored cruisers of 14,500 tons, cost (each) $6,505,000; three scout cruisers of not more than 3,750 tons, cost (each) $2,200,000; two colliers, to be capable of accompanying the battle fleet, to carry 5,000 tons of cargo coal, total cost each $1,250,000.

Total cost of the above program will be $29,885,000. It is left within the discretion of the secretary of the navy to build any or all of these ships in government navy yards in case it shall appear that the shipbuilding concerns have entered into any combination or understanding to deprive the government of fair and unrestricted competition in letting contracts for the construction of any of these vessels.

It is stated that the greatest naval problem of the day is the training of men for the navy—an increase of 3,000 men is provided for and a training station on the great lakes recommended. When this station is completed and the facilities for training men increased, a larged yearly increase will be demanded.

The total amount of the bill is $96,328,038.

EASTMAN ARRAIGNED

DISTRICT ATTORNEY WANTS THE BAIL INCREASED.

CONCORD, N. H., Feb. 11.—Albert H. Eastman of Berlin, indicted by the grand jury of the United States circuit court on 25 counts for the misapplication of funds, credits and moneys of the Berlin and Gorham national banks, was arraigned before Judge Edgar Aldrich in this city this afternoon.

Eastman waived the reading of the indictment and pleaded not guilty.

District Attorney Hamblett asked for an increase in bail from $10,000 to $20,000. Decision in this matter was postponed.

PRINTERS' STRIKE SPREADS.

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—The strike of seventy or more pressmen and assistants here who have gone out in sympathy with the striking job compositors, spread today to the printing plant of the George H. Ellis Co., on Congress street. Thirty pressmen, both those who manned the job and the cylinder presses, suddenly quit work and left the shop in a body. This makes the fourth printing plant to be affected by the strike of the press workers.

POPE ANNOUNCES JUBILEE.

ROME, Feb. 11.—As it is customary for each pope to pronounce a jubilee during the first year of his pontificate, Pope Pius X has issued an encyclical dated Feb. 2, proclaiming a jubilee for Feb. 15, the anniversary of the proclamation of the dogma of the immaculate conception and granting three months' indulgences.

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SENATOR HANNA

Is Reported Weaker by His Doctors

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11—Senator Hanna shows perceptible weakness today and it is quite evident that his condition is not so favorable as it was yesterday. While he has rested comparatively comfortably since 11 o'clock last night, the effect of the fever is making itself distinctly manifest.

His physicians were in consultation for nearly an hour today and the official bulletin was not issued until 1 o'clock p. m. The text of the bulletin follows:

"Senator Hanna is weaker this morning and shows the effect of the fever. His temperature at 12 o'clock, noon, was 102 2-10; pulse, 100; respiration, 28. There are no complications.

(Signed) "Drs. Rixey, Osler, Carter."

Practically the only favorable feature of the bulletin is that there are no complications in the case. Senator Hanna's temperature has increased materially since yesterday, but that is said to have been not unexpected in the regular course of the disease. His pulse has increased considerably and it is to be noted that the physicians' bulletin does not announce as ordinarily it has announced that his general condition is favorable. It is said by the physicians that the increase in the heart action is due to the weakness of the patient and is significant only of that.

Senator Hanna's weakness is positively attributed by his physicians to the regular run of the fever. Indeed they have manifested some surprise that he has been able thus far to maintain so much strength in view of his continued high temperature.

The senator's condition throughout last night was better than it was the night before. For 21 hours he has retained on his stomach the nourishment given him. This is given him now in the form of a preparation of fermented milk. During the early hours of today he slept quietly and naturally much of the time. Not the least evidence of delirium has been manifest at any time. When the climax of the fever will be reached cannot be foretold by the physicians, but it is thought to be not far distant.

GOODWIN PARDON

The Last Effort Has Failed

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—The last effort to obtain the release of Henry K. Goodwin of Lawrence, who is now serving a life sentence in the state prison for murder, failed in the house today when the adverse report of the committee on a bill to release on parole veterans of the Civil war who have served more than 15 years in state prison, was accepted without division. It was expected that there would be some controversy when the committee report came up today but no one arose either in favor or against the measure.

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MACHEN REPLIES

Accused Man Was Under Cross Examination

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—When the postal trial was resumed today August W. Machen was still under cross examination. Mr. Conrad, for the government offered in evidence letters from the Boston and Cleveland postmasters, objecting to the Groff fastener, which, he said, were not introduced for the purpose of attacking the utility of the fastener, but as showing undue activity by Machen in forcing the device on cities where they were not wanted. The first general introduction of rural free delivery boxes, Machen said, was in Carroll county, Maryland. As it was the first complete extension of the system, he said, he assumed personal supervision of the work. The boxes were necessary to make the system perfect. Previously he said, cigar boxes, bird cages and even old boots had been hung up for mail.

Replying to Mr. Conrad, Machen said that when Lorenz spoke to him on the yachting trip, regarding the fastener, he, as a postal official, had already satisfied himself as to its merits. In answer to another question Machen said that he did not upon that occasion as Lorenz's personal friend, give him any suggestion or advice about the fastener. Until the indictment was found, Machen said he did not even know the cost of manufacturing the fastener.

Mr. Conrad then branched off on the oil venture, nothing new being brought out.

TYPHOID FEVER

IS PREVALENT IN WATERTOWN, NEW YORK.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Feb. 11.—Typhoid fever is prevalent in this city. Local health officials state that there are between 150 and 200 cases and that two hospitals are crowded to overflowing. Prof. Olin H. Landstreth of Union college, a sanitary expert, will investigate the cause of the epidemic and take charge of the situation.

GONE TO FRANCE

SCHWAB MAKES TRIP IN SEARCH OF HEALTH.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Charles M. Schwab sailed today for France on the steamship Lorraine. Upon inquiry at Mr. Schwab's office it was stated that it had been Mr. Schwab's intention for many weeks to go to Europe for his health under the advice of his physician. It is nearly a year since Mr. Schwab returned from Europe not at all recovered in his health and with the determination then avowed of withdrawing from business responsibilities. Since his return he has been under constant strain, which rendered it imperative that he should not delay in complying with the advice of his physician. It was pointed out that Mr. Schwab had refused to absent himself so long as the shipbuilding litigation might require his presence, but that in view of the modification of the plan of reorganization of the entry of the final decree on Tuesday by Judge Kirkpatrick and the consolidation of the foreclosure proceedings he had felt at liberty to take the much needed rest.

KRUGER HANGED

PUT TO DEATH FOR KILLING A CONSTABLE.

GREENSBURG, Pa., Feb. 11.—Charles E. Kruger was hanged in the county jail yard at 10.09 o'clock today. Death resulted from a broken neck.

The crime for which Kruger, whose real name is Emil Blowsky, suffered the death penalty was the killing of Constable Harry Bierer who was sent on July 9 last to arrest Kruger on a charge of disorderly conduct.

LAWYER DAVENPORT

OBJECTED TO EIGHT-HOUR LEGISLATION.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—Opposition was entered against pending eight-hour legislation before the house committee of labor today by Daniel Davenport, an attorney of Bridgeport, Conn. Mr. Davenport said he was the general agent of the American anti-boycott association, a secret organization composed of a large number of manufacturers combined for enforcing the laws against boycott of man, his business, or product. Mr. Davenport's ground of opposition was that eight-hour legislation was not wanted either by the employer or employes. It was, he said, socialistic legislation of the worst character.

CAUGHT TO CABLE.

CHATHAM, Mass., Feb. 11.—A barge in tow of tug Edgar Luckenbach, bound from New York for Boston early today had her anchor caught fast to the French cable off Orleans and up to this afternoon had been unable to clear it. It was believed there was no danger of injury to the cable, but it was thought the anchor would have to be slipped in order to permit the barge to get away.

WATER RECEDING.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 11.—The water in the Susquehanna river is receding slowly and the ice is passing off the lowlands without causing any great damage. The great gorge above Sunbury is still intact and will not go out until there is another thaw.

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GENERAL RIGGS

Answers Charges Made by Legislators

BALTIMORE, Feb. 11.—Brig. Gen. Lauraw an Riggs, who has been summoned to Annapolis to appear before the bar of the house of delegates and explain why he refused to permit his troops to recognize passes issued by Gov. Warfield, left for the state capital today.

The general explained that he was not acting independently nor was he in absolute control of the situation. He said that ever since the troops were called out he has been working in conjunction with the police department. The mayor, the marshal of police and himself have held frequent conferences and everything done had first had the approval of these officials.

Speaking of the order revoking all passes Gen. Riggs said:

"After a thorough inspection of the burned territory it was found that many persons had gained admission to the place and the suggestion was made that all passes be temporarily revoked not only because of the danger to life on account of the high tottering walls, but also on account of the fear that unscrupulous persons might carry away valuables or even go so far as to break open safes. A conference was held Tuesday at which were present the governor, the mayor, the marshal of police and others. The governor said at this conference that he had issued passes to members of the legislature and regretted that he had done so. He said he felt he had erred in so doing. After a general talk it was decided to revoke all passes including those issued by the governor. The governor fully approved this action. Gov. Warfield was not ignored nor was there any intention to slight the members of the legislature."

Gen. Riggs took with him statements from Mayor McLane, President Upshur of the board of police commissioners and Assistant City Solicitor Edgar Allen Poe, in which these officials approve the order revoking passes.

Admission to the fire territory was comparatively easy today. This was due to the greatly improved conditions within the lines.

THE STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—The stock market opened irregular. Amalgamated Copper, 46; Atchison 67¾; Baltimore & Ohio, 76¾ ex. div.; Brooklyn Transit, 42¼; Canadian Pacific, 115¾; Erie, 25⅝; do. first pfd., 63⅞; Louisville, 103¼; Manhattan, 141¾; Missouri Pacific, 89; New York Central, 115; Ontario & Western, 20¾; Pennsylvania, 113; Reading, 41½; Rock Island, 22½; Sugar, 123⅝; St. Paul, 139½; Southern Pacific, 45⅞; Union Pacific, 77¼; United States Steel, 11⅛; do. pfd., 65⅝; Wabash pfd., 35.

OPERA STARS SAIL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Among the passengers who sailed today on the steamer La Touraine for Havre were Enrico Caruse, the grand opera tenor, Arturo Vigna, the opera conductor, and W. K. Vanderbilt.

HARBOR CLOSED.

NEWPORT, R. I., Feb. 11.—The entire inner harbor is closed by ice and navigation is suspended. The boat which runs from here to Wickford was unable to make her usual trip.

For the first time since the torpedo station was established the water in the main running from here to the station froze during the night, necessitating a shut down of the smokeless powder and gun cotton factories today.

PREMIER SPRIGG DEFEATED.

CAPE TOWN, Cape Colony, Feb. 11.—Sir John Gordon Sprigg, the premier, has been defeated in the parliamentary election just held at East London, which he had represented for nearly 30 years.

DATES FOR PRINCETON ATHLETES.

PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 11.—The Princeton field and track athletes this year, besides competing in the intercollegiate games and the regular dual meets with Yale, Columbia and Cornell, will be entered in the Olympic games at St. Louis in June and in a dual meet with the University of Chicago at Chicago. A two-mile and possibly a four-mile relay team will be entered with Pennsylvania relay races. The schedule follows:

April 16, open handicap games at Princeton.

April 23, University of Pennsylvania relay races at Philadelphia.

April 28, Caledonian games at Princeton.

April 30, eighth annual interscholastic games at Princeton.

May 7, duel meet with Yale at New Haven.

May 14, duel meet with Columbia at Princeton.

May 27 and 28, intercollegiate meet at Franklin field, Philadelphia.

EX-MAYOR KIMBALL DEAD.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Feb. 11.—Ex-Mayor Henry A. Kimball died at his home here today, aged 62 years. Mr. Kimball was born in Windham, Conn., and at one time served in the Connecticut legislature. He had lived in this city since 1581 and had been a member of the state senate and house of representatives. He was prominent in the democratic party in the state and was in the coal business. He leaves a widow.

NATIONAL SOCIETY, D. A. R.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 11—Mrs. Charles W. Fairbanks, president of the grand national society Daughters of the American Revolution, was the guest of honor at the 16th annual conference of the state society which opened this morning. Mrs. C. W. Lippett, state regent, was presiding officer. The presentation of reports occupied the morning session. In the afternoon Mrs. Fairbanks delivered an address. The report of the nominating committee was presented after the address.

MONEY ON CALL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11—Noon—Money on call easy at [illegible] per cent. Prime mercantile paper [illegible].

Exchanges $[illegible]; balances $16,990,4[illegible].

BANK CLOSED.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Feb. 11.—Josiah Van Vranken, national bank examiner today closed the American Exchange National bank of this city. No statement of the bank's condition has yet been given out.

STEEL TRUST SUED.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 11—Alfred F. Stevens of Newark today instituted suit in the court of chancery against the United States Steel corporation to have that corporation show cause why it first decreased and subsequently discontinued paying dividends on its common stock.

Stevens in his application presents figures to bear out his contention that the dividend could have been paid.

GIRLS RESCUED

Had Narrow Escape From Suffocation

BOSTON, Feb. 11—Several girls had a narrow escape from suffocation today during a fire in a wholesale grocery establishment in the market district. The fire was in the building 72 Fulton street owned by Freeman J. Doe and occupied by M. O'Keeffe, importer of groceries. It started from some unknown cause on the ground floor of the three and a half story brick building and spread quickly to the floor above, where the girls and 20 or more men were at work. The smoke became so thick that the girls could not see their way to go out, but they were taken out safely by the men. Two who fainted were taken down a ladder from a second story window. No one was hurt. The damage by the fire was about $25,000, principally to Mr. O'Keeffe's stock.

STILL FIGHTING

TROUBLE CONTINUES AT SAN DOMINGO.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11—The Clyde line steamer Cherokee arrived today from San Domingo, where, the passengers say, fighting continues. The United States men of war Hartford, Detroit and Columbia, were seen at various ports. The Cherokee left after the firing on the Yankees' launch. The Cherokee was not molested and was able to discharge and load cargo without any trouble. Purser McCurdy says he was obliged to go up the river at San Domingo city in a small boat to visit the custom house and while passing up a continuous firing was kept up by the combatants, stray bullets making the trip up the river dangerous.

GREAT FLOOD

HAS BEEN CAUSED BY BACK WATER.

YORK, Pa., Feb. 11—The back water from the ice gorge near New Holland has caused the greatest flood ever known at York Haven. The water has extinguished the fires in the York Haven paper mills and work has been suspended there. The 30 foot raceway of the York Haven power plant is entirely under water today. The water is falling slowly.

FIRE IN CHURCH

WHERE DELEGATES OF WOMEN'S CLUB WERE MEETING.

MILFORD, Mass., Feb. 11.—While a hundred delegates to the mid-winter session of the Massachusetts federation of women's clubs were meeting in the Congregational church here today, fire broke out just above the furnace. There was no disturbance, all the women at once leaving the church in an orderly manner and resuming their meeting in the Universalist church. The fire is supposed to have been caused by an overheated furnace.

TEACHER SUED

MRS. GOLDSMITH ASKS $25,000 DAMAGES.

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—Mrs. Mary E. Goldsmith, widow of Nathaniel F. Goldsmith, a liquor dealer, seeks $25,000 damages from Mary O. Cowles, a music teacher, for the alleged alienation of the affections of her husband during the latter part of his life.

Miss Cowles seeks to recover $25,000 damages in a cross action against Mrs. Goldsmith for the alleged malicious prosecution of a suit in the municipal civil court for the recovery of certain personal property, and of a bill in the supreme court to recover certain real estate, which proceedings terminated in favor of the plaintiff in the cross suit.

The cases are on trial in the third session of the superior court before Judge Sheldon and a jury.

Mr. Goldsmith alleges that Miss Cowles ingratiated herself into the good graces of Mr. Goldsmith with the result that he is alleged to have made gifts of large sums of money and of real property to her and that his affection for the plaintiff was alienated and destroyed by the defendant.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Cotton futures opened firm. Feb., 13.05 bid; March, 13.37; April, 13.40 bid; May, 13.70; June, 13.80; July, 13.90; August, 13.35; Sept. 12.35; Oct., 11.70; Nov., —; Dec., 11.30.

AMHERST COLLEGE

MAY BE OBLIGED TO CLOSE SOON.

AMHERST, Feb. 11.—The bursting of the water mains, which occurred last Friday night, is beginning to cause alarm. On Monday the first leak was repaired, but the same night a second leak flooded North Pleasant street, and a broken hydrant connection flooded the trolley tracks, burying them under four inches of ice. A steam boiler is in use in the attempt to thaw out the pipes in the central square. The North Amherst, Pelham and Holyoke trolley lines were tied up until this afternoon.

All the schools in the centre of the town except the high school are closed for sanitary reasons. All the college buildings were without water Saturday and Sunday. Sunday night the water was turned on, but Monday night other breaks occurred, which have been temporarily repaired. The mains are of sheet iron lined with cement, and have been laid for nearly 20 years. It is feared no permanent repairs can be effected until the ground thaws.

Except three fraternity houses, which have a spring supply, there is no water in any of the college buildings, and it is feared the college will have to close. Many of the supply pipes have frozen, owing to the turning off of the water. One of the unfortunate results of the water troubles is the necessity of postponing the junior promenade appointed for the 15th. The semester examinations end today, and should the college be closed for two weeks, most likely the Easter vacation will be omitted so as to complete the college year at the regular time.

If there's a hint of Catarrh Taint apply Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder without delay. It will save you suffering, heal you quickly whether you have been a slave one month or 50 years. It relieves cold in the head and catarrhal headaches in 10 minutes. The Hon. David Mills, minister of justice for the Dominion of Canada, endorses it. Sold by Falls & Burkinshaw.—2

You can't expect to weave white satin with blackened hands, any more than you can expect good results from papers with a bogus circulation.

THE SILK MARKET

Has Been Affected by the War

NEW YORK, Feb. 11—War in the far east already has affected the silk piece goods market of the United States. The majority of prominent importing houses have just announced advances of 10 per cent. on habutai and other silk fabrics manufactured in Japan. They give as their reason the fact that many of the operatives and skilled hands in the various factories have been drafted for war purposes and their places cannot be filled. Stocks in Yokohama and New York are decidedly light.

In order to secure a uniformity of prices the more important Japanese houses in the trade are getting together and endeavoring to establish an agreement as to the regulation of prices, as it is believed that unless some sort of an agreement is made the market is more than likely to be entirely upset as to values. Several of the largest firms already have attached their names to the agreement and others signified their willingness to abide by its stipulations.

BUTCHERS PROTEST

AGAINST THE EPLOYMENT OF WOMEN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11—War has been declared by the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butchers' workmen of North America upon women employed in butcher shops in this city.

Learning that several pretty girls have been employed by a Harlem butcher to wrap and sell meat, the local executive board has started an investigation to learn whether or not the employment of women is interfering with members of the union. It is declared by one of the officials that no union butcher will be permitted to cut meat handled in this manner, and if necessary vigorous measures will be taken to stop the employment of women.

SHORTAGE OF FUEL.

BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me., Feb. 11.—A shortage of coal and wood on Monhegan Island, which has been cut off from communication with the mainland since Monday, by ice, is reported. It is possible suffering may be caused by the embargo. The mail packet is at Monhegan, having made her last trip Monday. One American and two St. John schooners are frozen in here. The harbor and coast have not been so badly frozen in since 1868. All the small islands are surrounded by the ice.

STEAMSHIP LAUNCHED.

CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 11.—The steamship City of Columbus was launched today at Roach's shipyards. Two previous attempts had been made to launch the vessel, but both times the steamship struck on the ways.

DAMS ARE SOLID.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 11—The flood is gradually receding here owing to the continued cold weather, but the danger is yet great. The lowlands are covered with ice and water. The dams at Bloomsburg, Towanda and Nanticote are solid and show no signs of breaking. The principal flood is now caused by the water backing up from these dams. If they break great destruction will follow.

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SIX DROWNED

Fatality Off the Coast Of Tayabas

MANILA, Feb. 11.—A serious drowning fatality is reported off the coast of Tayabas, the southeastern province of Luzon. A number of government officials were returning to the mainland from a festival on Alabal island in a small boat when a severe storm arose and the frail craft was capsized. The list of drowned included Burch and Grace MacGrew, teachers; a contract surgeon named F. Tetamor; J. A. Williams, a physician of the board of health and two natives.

COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—The cotton market at the opening today was comparatively quiet. Following the call the market ruled quiet and somewhat irregular. In the early afternoon the market advanced to a matter of 68 to 74 points on the active months with March holding at 13.85, May at 14.09 and July at 14.16.

GEORGE DUBUQUE

INVITED TO COMPETE IN ICE RACE AT TROIS RIVIERES.

George Dubuque of Middlesex street, former champion ice skater of Trois Rivieres, P. Q., has received an invitation to participate in a skating contest to be held at his old home next week and will probably accept and attend the races. In his days "Checksie" was a good one on top of de h'ice.

BOSTON & MAINE R. R.

Corrected to October 12, 1903. Trains leave Merrimack street depot, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.43, 6.22, x6.42, *7.45, *8.50, *9.40, 11.09 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, x5.44 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex street station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.46, 6.28, *6.39, x6.45, w6.50, 7.01, *7.24, 7.31, *7.48, w*8.00, *8.57, w9.25, *9.50, w10.50, 11.05, *11.43 a. m.; w12.05, 12.11, w12.45, 1.44, *1.58, w2.30, x3.03, w*3.10, *3.47, w3.55, 4.28, w5.06, 5.22, x5.19, w*6.15, *6.22, w7.00, 7.29, w9.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 4.89, 7.24, w8.15, 8.45, 9.20 a. m.; w12.05, w4.05, 4.25, w5.30, 5.58, w8.00 p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.28, w6.50, z7.31, w8.30, w9.25, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, w2.30, w3.55, w5.06, w6.15, w7.00, w9.25, wq11.25 p. m. Sundays, w8.18 a. m.; w12.05, w5.30 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.31 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, n2.30, n3.55, w5.06, 5.28 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.06, 6.15, 7.00, 9.25, q11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 5.30 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.28 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor, Belfast and Rockland, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., 5.06 p. m. (5.06 does not run Saturdays.) SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland,) on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport, Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland,) Tuesday and Friday at 5.06 p. m. Last trip of season Oct. 30, 1903.

For Woburn, 6.28, 7.01, *7.48, 11.05 a. m.; 1.44, 4.28 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.48 a. m.; 4.25, 5.58 p. m.

For Ayer Junction, Stations on W. N. & P. and Fitchburg divisions, 7.07, 11.55 a. m.; 5.01 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2.13 p. m.

For Stations on W. N. & P. division, Nashua to Portland, Me., 9.03 a. m.; (3.40 p. m. to Rochester only.)

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.03 a. m.; 1.00, 3.40, 5.33 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.03 a. m.; 3.40 p. m. SUNDAYS, to Hillsboro, 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.31, 9.03, 9.20, *10.39, a. m.; *12.09, 1.00, *1.33, 3.40, *5.39, 6.27, *8.10, *9.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.02 a. m.; 2.00, 6.02, *8.10, *9.10 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon, White River Junction, 7.20, *9.29 a. m.; *12.09, *1.33 (to Franklin only.) 5.10, *b8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.) Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.30 a. m.; 1.29 p. m.

For Stations on White Mt. Division, 9.30, *10.39 a. m.; 1.39 p. m. (5.39 p. m. to Plymouth); *b9.10, 9.24 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *10.39 a. m.; *1.33, *b9.10 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Junction, Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal via Central Vermont line, *9.39 a. m.; *12.09, *b8.10 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air line, *10.39 a. m.; *b9.10 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth and Sherbrooke, *10.39 a. m.; *9.10 p.m. (daily except Saturdays.

References:

aVia Wakefield Junction.
*Express. bDaily.
qWednesdays and Saturdays only.
wVia Western Division.
xVia Bedford. zVia Wilmington Junc.

D. J. FLANDERS, Gen. Pass. and Ticket Agent.

H. C. TAFT, General Agent, Lowell.

VALENTINES
—AT—
S. A. CARSON'S
Stationer and Bookseller,
8 CENTRAL STREET

Wall Paper
—AT—
97 Appleton Street

GEO. E. METCALF & CO.
FIRE INSURANCE
159 Middlesex St.

TWO FRAUDS.

The merchant who would try to sell a pair of shoes without opening the box in which they came from the factory, would be regarded as a fraud and a trickster, and the newspaper which denies to the advertiser all the information he desires in reference to its circulation, must not expect the confidence of its patrons.

SPECIAL NOTICES

THE FOLLOWING SAYS: That you can get a doll carriage, a go-cart or a handsome doll with a pound of tea or two pounds of coffee at Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The two o'clock and five o'clock editions of The Sun are on sale every day at both newsstands in the Union station, Boston.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, State House, Boston, Feb. 9, 1904. The Joint Committee on the Judiciary will give a hearing to parties interested in petition of Frank H. Beal (accompanying House bill No. 367) for legislation to correct an inequality now existing in the law relative to the appointment and employment of stenographers for the superior court; also (Senate bill No. 61) to prohibit unauthorized performances or representations of certain dramatic and musical compositions; also petition of Willard Hanson (accompanying House bill No. 415) for legislation relative to mechanics' liens; and petition of Edward O'Brien (House bill No. 407) for legislation to extend the time within which appeals may be taken in criminal cases, at room No. 227 State House, on Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. A. M. Taft, Chairman. Wm. A. Kelley, Clerk of the Committee.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—A housegirl at 16 Elliot St.

WANTED—Girl, one who understands meat cooking. Call 19 Hurd street.

WANTED—An experienced table girl at the New American house.

LADIES can make $2 and $3 per day during spare hours sure; great opportunity to make money; investigate. Address J. D. Buck, care Sun.

WANTED—Experienced polisher. 115 Merrimack street.

AGENTS wanted everywhere; new, cheap combination accident and sickness policies; most popular ever offered; death benefit, weekly indemnity; absolute protection, novel system; annual premiums $1 to $6; no assessments or dues; sell to everyone, either sex; all claims immediately paid, insurance assets $500,000; liberal commissions; exclusive territory. International Company, 231 Broadway, New York.

ANY intelligent person may earn $40 to $50 monthly in spare time corresponding for newspapers; no canvassing; send for particulars. Northern Press Syndicate, room 24, Lockport, N. Y.

WANTED—A man and wife to work on a farm. Apply at 528 Middlesex street, S. P. Pike's.

WANTED—Girl to do general housework at 15 Harding street.

WANTED—Salesmen, salary and commissions; large sales and big profits. Call the Arlington house, room 20, Lowell, 4 to 9 p. m.

WANTED—An experienced cook at the Quincy house, 53 Lee street.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—By an experienced man, a situation as boiler tender or janitor; understands steam. Inquire at 201 Middlesex street.

SITUATION WANTED—By all-round woman cook in restaurant, hotel, lunch room or boarding house. Inquire rear 317 Middlesex street.

WANTED—Work of any kind by a good, reliable man. Apply to John Varonus, 346 Suffolk street.

WANTED—Situation washing dishes or at light housework and minding a child or two. Apply at 12 Brown street.

WANTED—A situation by a middle-aged woman at light housework or would mind children able to attend school or would wash dishes in a hotel or restaurant. Inquire at 89 Crosby street.

NURSE—Capable, experienced, can be obtained at reasonable terms at 88 Jones avenue, Dracut Centre.

WANTED—A situation as housekeeper by a neat, capable, experienced American, where strict attention will be appreciated. Address J. B. W., care Macine Co., Lowell, Mass.

WANTED—Situation by lady to do light housework; does not object to children. Call 18 Branch street.

MONEY TO LOAN

PAWNBROKER—Money to loan; money loaned on all valuable articles, clothing; rates reasonable. A. Stein, 313 Middlesex street, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security. Boarding houses, retail merchants and salaried people; easy payments; lowest rates in the city. Merrimack Loan Co., 15 Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters, boarding houses, without security; easy payments; largest business in 42 principal cities. Tolman, room 26, Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leinbas, room 9, Barristers hall.

WANTED

YOUNG GENTLEMAN—With business in Boston desires room and board with private family near Middlesex street station; state terms, which must be moderate. J. P. Sun office.

WANTED—One or two children to board. 457 Lakeview avenue.

WANTED—Dress making and all kinds sewing by the day. Address J. C., Sun office.

WANTED—Dress making, children's clothing a specialty. Apply Mrs. J. M. Brown, 257 Appleton street, Lowell.

WANTED—For cash, a place 5 to 20 acres close to a city and electrics. Call or write to the Arlington house, Lowell. Mr. Dalton. Call 6 to 9 p. m.

WANTED—Children to board in the country; terms reasonable. Address box 163, Billerica.

IF YOU WANT a cord or more of dry hard wood for $6, telephone to P. Cogger, truckman, 433 Riverside street.

WANTED—Donations of second-hand clothing for men, women and children for destitute families in our city. Please send bundles or card to Mattie A. Towne, War Cry Sergeant, Salvation Army, Appleton street, Bancroft block, room 12, Lowell.

TO LET

TO LET—Furnished front rooms for small families or two men together. 29 John street.

NEWLY furnished rooms and table board under new management. 63 George street, corner Tyler.

TO LET—Corner School and Lawson street, a pleasant upstairs 7-room tenement; rent $11 a month. Apply to A. G. Tuttle, 48 Stevens street.

TO LET—Two furnished front rooms, heat, bath, hot and cold water, $1 and $1.25 per week. 555 Middlesex street, opposite Standard Bottling Co.

TO LET—A 5-room tenement, newly renovated; 12 Rogers street; rent low. Apply at M. Wyman's, 62 Middlesex St.

TO LET—Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping, with gas, heat and bath. Apply Weston house, 209 Appleton street.

TO RENT—A lovely four room tenement, good location, $8.00. G. P. Walker, 9[illegible] Middlesex street.

TO LET—A 6-room tenement with all modern improvements. Apply at 227 School street.

TO LET—Queen street, three rooms, $7; Concord street, five rooms, $8; Centralville, five rooms, $7.50; two rooms, $1.50; other tenements and stores to rent. T. H. Elliott, 64 Central street.

TO LET—Small tenements, 631 Broadway; rent low.

FOR SALE

THE GREAT BARGAIN PLACE in Lowell for shirts and shirt waists and full suits is the Highland Remnant Store, 8 Pine street; take the Westford street car; a full line of regular 50c mercerised vesting and ottomans for 39c per yd.; also mercerized cheviot, regular price 35c, for 23c to 29c per yd.; regular 35c mercerized Sea Island for 21c per yd.; also Barbaby ginghams, flannelettes and vestings in bundles by the pound; it will pay you to see these bargains before purchasing elsewhere; also boot and shoe repairing done at lowest prices; drop us a postal card and we will call for and repair and deliver the goods without any extra charge.

370 BRIDGE STREET. White Sewing Machine Co.—Ladies before buying try our automatic drop machine; we have several other makes; you are sure to get suited; give us a call.

$350 PIANO for sale at a bargain, as party is leaving city. Call at 16 Summer street between 2 and 4 and 7 and 9 p. m.

FOR SALE—Drug store, easy terms. Address "Drugs," box 310, Fall River, Mass.

FOR SALE—Cheap, a good double travers runner sleigh. Inquire at 26 Cross street.

FOR SALE—Fine double sleigh, built to order, nearly new; owner having no further use for it will sell cheap. Inquire at Sun office.

FOR SALE—To mend your stove bricks use Eagle Stove Clay. Hardware and stove dealers sell it in three size packages.

GERMAN ELECTRIC BELT—Relieves rheumatic pains of back and limbs at once; easily adjusted; price $3. F. E. Saunders, agent, 119 Middlesex street.

FOR SALE—Horse and team, value $300, may be had for $175; private family preferred. Apply Sun office.

FOR SALE—A variety store situated in a good business neighborhood, established trade of seven years; an exceptionally fine place for one who dressmakes; poor health of owner reason for selling. For all particulars, terms, etc., inquire of E. R. Donovan, room 1, Swan block, 26 Central street. It may be your opportunity.

RUBBER STAMPS at wholesale prices; 1-in. one line stamps 15c; 1½ in., 20c; 35c ink pads, 25c; 25c ink pads, 15c; 50c linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 15c per line. J. M. Fellows, 155 Merrimack St.

MISCELLANEOUS

MISS UPHAM, clairvoyant and card reader; cards read 25c. 81 Merrimack St., corner John.

GLORIA is the greatest family beverage; gives weakly, nervous women vigor and health. Doyle Bros., agents. Tel.

MADAM LENORE—Clairvoyant card reader; also gifted with drawing power. 71 Tyler street.

MRS. FLETCHER, 769 Gorham street, trance medium and card reader.

MME. WATSON EMERSON—Clairvoyant and psychological readings at 474 Central street, also instruction in elocution and physical culture.

WOOD GIVEN AWAY—2¼ miles out. Apply to depot master, Warnesit station. Must be cut and taken away at once.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, cheap, from the Merrimack woolen mills. Corner store, Lakeview avenue and Pleasant street, Navy Yard.

HORSEMEN ATTENTION—We are now prepared to shoe your horses in the most satisfactory and scientific manner, especially horses lamed by incorrect shoeing, at the reasonable low price of 4 new shoes for $1.00; we also keep in stock a line of hand-made shoes turned by L. J. Padien, at the Fair Grounds shoeing forge, 1054 Gorham street, Lowell, Mass.

PIANO OR ORGAN LESSONS at your home; special pains taken with children or advanced pupils; will accompany any instrument for entertainments; years of experience. Mabel Randall, Chelmsford Centre.

STOVES—New and second-hand, bought, sold and exchanged. Reliable Furniture Co., 166 Middlesex street.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 1128 Bridge street. Telephone.

MUSIC—German zither music furnished at reasonable rates for concerts, dinner parties, church entertainments and home socials. John C. Hansen, Bon Marche studio.

IF YOU WANT your mattresses made over at your home, call at 940 Central St.

BUY YOUR HAT at Delorme's, where you can have it cleaned free of charge for one year. Repairing a specialty. 261 Middlesex street.

SAVE MONEY by buying your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Baker & Co.'s, 150 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; also furniture moving done in a careful manner; always big bargains at our store. McGauvran Bros., Merrimack St., opp. City Hall.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination; used by 200,000 women; price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Feb. 10, Boston terrier pup, brindle, with white breast, white streak on face. Finder please return to 69 Sutherland street. Reward.

LOST—Bull dog, white neck, breast and face. Reward for return to 10 Alder St.

FOUND—Lady's pocketbook containing sum of money and other trinkets. Owner may have by paying for adv. and proving claim at Sun office.

FOUND—A sum of money. Owner can have by proving property. Inquire of I. D. McCarthy, janitor O'Donnell & Gilbride company.

LOST—Sum of money Tuesday afternoon on Gorham street, near East Chelmsford. Reward for return to Sun.

LOST—Monday, Boston trip book. Reward at 590 Merrimack street.

FOUND—Sum of money. Owner may have by proving ownership and paying for adv. G. W. Coon, 209 Appleton street, after 7 p. m.

LOST—Fox terrier pup, white, with brown ears, name and address on collar. Finder will please return to 332 Lincoln street. Reward.

LOST—Monday afternoon between Chalifoux's store and Middle street entrance to Middlesex club, a pair of eyeglasses in case. Finder rewarded at Sun office.

POULTRY

POULTRYMEN—To make hens lay feed green cut bone; nothing like it; cut fresh daily. Adams Supply Co., 40 Middlesex Street, room 18, Lowell.

E. H. WHITE

Successor to Fish & Plummer.

137 CENTRAL STREET

Our Motto. "Honest Representation, Fair Dealings. Justice to the Owner, Satisfaction to the Buyer."

FOR SALE—Meat and provision store. Fine family trade. One of the best stands in Lowell.

$1400 buys a pretty little farm of 23 acres. Boston & Northern electrics pass the door. Farm borders on the Merrimack river. A bargain.

FOR SALE—One of the snuggest grocery stores in Lowell; now doing an excellent business; splendid list of customers, clean stock, delivery wagons; excellent chance to get a good paying business. Investigation invited.

41 ACRE FARM—20 minutes out on Boston electric line; 20 acres mowing, cuts 20 tons of hay; 21 acres of pasture and woodland; rich, loamy land, plenty of fruit; 11-room house, steam heat, excellent location to take summer boarders; beautiful lake near it.

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590** A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

The sworn daily average circulation for the month of January, 1904, was: **15,432**

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

Not only has Secretary Hay incurred the displeasure of Russia by his proposition to hamper her action and compel her to relinquish her hold upon Manchuria, but he has aroused the opposition of France, one of the best friends this country ever had, and for what?

It would pay the legislative committee having the matter in hand to come to Lowell to ascertain public sentiment upon the matters under consideration, notably the police board and the appropriation for the Textile school. The fact that the hearing before the appropriation committee was a failure should not prejudice any committee in giving a public hearing here to find what the citizens want.

THE ESCAPE AT STATE PRISON.

Warden Bridges will have to be more circumspect in order to prevent prisoners from escaping. He stepped aside while the barber prisoner found an open door inviting him to make a dash for liberty. He did just as ninety out of every hundred would have done and the story that he had a confederate outside is all moonshine.

RUSSIA'S FLEET OF LITTLE USE.

In this war Russia fights at an immense disadvantage in being so far from the base of supplies. Besides she cannot send a battleship to Port Arthur or Vladivostock without running the gauntlet of the whole Japanese fleet. This war may prove as difficult to Russia as was the Boer war to England, but far more disastrous in the end. England succeeded in taking the two republics of South Africa, but at a terrible loss of men and money. It is plain that Russia's fleet is not to be compared with that of Japan in fighting qualities. The Japanese are skilled warriors, quick and brave in action. They will probably show the same qualities in their engagements on land.

THAT APPROPRIATIONS HEARING.

The hearing held at city hall Wednesday night by the committee on appropriations for the purpose of giving the citizens an opportunity to be heard was an utter disappointment. Nothing of importance was brought out. The chief commodity was hot air and of that there was an excess. With the exception of Judge Pickman's statement in regard to the work of the park commission there was nothing new, nothing that would enlighten the committee in the work of using the pruning knife on the department estimates. The committee will therefore have to fall back upon its own good sense and judgment as to what should be done to establish economy and yet make a fair allowance for the necessities in each case.

What is needed is department heads who will make a good showing with the money expended. The committee may do its duty faithfully but it cannot prevent mismanagement and waste of money by lack of system, grafting and other causes known to the politicians.

IF LOWELL BURNED DOWN.

If Lowell were burning up how long would it take to get help from Lawrence, Nashua or Boston? Such contingencies are to be provided for by our fire department. We are not more secure or better protected than was the city of Baltimore, the main portion of which is now in ashes.

The chief fault found with the fire department of Baltimore is that it fought the fire from the rear, until clearer heads or braver men arrived from Philadelphia. The destruction of a city in such a manner is hard to understand at this distance; but if a high westerly wind prevailed on the night of the O'Donnell & Gilbride fire the flames might have destroyed the whole of Merrimack street down as far as Merrimack square or beyond. With a high wind when St. Patrick's church was burned brands might have been carried as much as a quarter of a mile and thence to other buildings so that there is no telling what destruction may result even from a small fire if the wind be high and the locality what is known as dangerous for fires.

It will do no harm then to figure on such unfavorable circumstances and plan for the quickest and best possible way of mastering the flames.

If Lowell burned down what would the people do? That is perhaps a vain speculation but strange to say, some of the newspapers are already beginning to hint that the great Baltimore fire was a blessing in disguise and that the city will rise phoenix like from the ashes of its former self. Nevertheless we do not care for blessings that come in such a terrible form.

IS LIFE HELD TOO CHEAP?

In some quarters there is an opinion that life is held too cheap in cases of death by railroad accident when the limit that can be sued for is $5000.

In many other states there is no such limit and an effort is being made here to raise the limit from $5000 to $25,000.

The bill before the legislature not only proposes to amend the present law but to add additional provisions, one of which is that if a corporation railroad or street railway through negligence or unfitness or negligence of its agents causes the death of an employe it shall be punished by a fine not less than $500 and not more than $25,000, the same to be recovered by an indictment prosecuted within one year after the time of the injury which caused the death, and shall be paid to the executor or administrator of the person so killed, one half to the use of the widow if there is one, and the other half to the children, otherwise the whole to the next of kin.

Another provision is that if an employe of a railroad corporation while in the exercise of due care is killed under circumstances that would have entitled him to maintain an action for damages if death had not resulted, the corporation shall be liable in the same manner and to the same extent as if the deceased had not been an employe.

This bill will be stubbornly fought by corporation interests in the legislature, but one thing is certain, that if it becomes law it will have the effect of making railroad corporations more careful. The number of people killed in railroad accidents last year in this country is about fifty times as great as it might be if proper care were exercised.

Under such circumstances it will do no harm to make the laws governing claims for damages in accident cases more strict than they are at present.

Experience has shown that it is out of the question to seek the indictment of corporation officials on the charge of criminal negligence no matter how culpable they may be. They are always exonerated. The only way to punish them therefore, is by increasing the damages in accidents due to carelessness or mismanagement.

WANTS A CHANGE

In the Style of Racing Boats

NEW YORK, Feb. 12—A letter from Sir Thomas Lipton has been received by the officials of the New York Yacht club with reference to a fourth challenge for the America's cup. This fact was brought out at the annual meeting of the club last night, although the presiding officer declined to say whether the letter was a formal challenge or the preliminary challenge. It was the general opinion of the members that Sir Thomas had signified his desire to issue a challenge, but was anxious that yachts of some other type should wage the battle.

The letter was referred to a committee of five, which will be appointed later by the chairman. They will correspond with Sir Thomas and when matters have been arranged satisfactorily the correspondence will be given out.

VALENTINE PARTY

AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH LAST NIGHT.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the First Baptist church gave a valentine supper and entertainment last evening in the vestries. The decorations, which were in charge of Mr. Swanton's class, Miss Florence Flemings chairman, were very elaborate and artistic. Long streamers of white cloth decorated with large red hearts, and streamers of red cloth with white hearts were festooned about the assembly room, and a very fancifully trimmed postoffice occupied a corner where St. Valentine's missives were received and despatched. The Misses Mildred and Charlotte Meuder were managers, and little Donna Bowen, Mildred French and Helen Eveleth dressed in white and with wings on their shoulders to hasten the delivery of the mails, served as the cupid postmen. Miss Bertha Taylor in the garb of the fortune teller, prognosticated the future of all who cared to have it revealed. Mrs. Larkin Trull had charge of the supper which was served from 6 to 8 o'clock, when a short but interesting literary program was furnished by Mrs. W. H. Pepin.

Dr. Ford gave a brief history of St. Valentine, Mrs. James Flemings played several piano selections and was the accompanist for Harry Hopkins, who rendered a tenor solo with excellent effect. Miss Mildred French delighted the audience by her recitations in costume. The young people played games till nearly 10 o'clock.

DOG SHOW

MANY VALUABLE CANINES ON EXHIBITION.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—J. Pierpont Morgan was again successful with his collection of collies at the dog show in Madison Square Garden yesterday. In the classes for dogs, his recent English importation Wishaw Clinker carried the field, while Clinker's kennel companion, Ormeskirk Olympian, also English bred, took second.

Mr. Morgan led the field with bitches with his recent purchase, champion Moreton Hebe.

In all English Sheep dogs, Messrs. Charles Frohman and Dillingham's Bouncing Lass proved the heroine.

Theodore Offerman's Floriform won all before it in Airedale terriers.

Foxhall Keene took first and second in the limit dog class with Wakefield Briar and West Ho.

Princeton Monarch beat all his younger rivals, including Noross Carrots, the winner at the ladies' show. Frank Doles' Marguerite of Navarre was crowned queen in the classes for the opposite sex, while the same owner's home bred puppy Edgewood Elizabeth finished second in the winner's class after having blue ribbons showered on her in several classes.

SOCIAL AND DANCE

UNDER AUSPICES OF TWILIGHT SOCIAL CLUB.

Lowell colored society was out in force last night at Highland hall, the occasion being a social party and dance of the Twilight Social club. Among the large attendance were many colored guests from Lawrence, Andover, Groton, Boston and Fitchburg. Many of "de white folks" graced the terpsichorean function with their presence and mixed in the mazy whirl with their Ethiopian friends in a hearty and joyous manner.

Among the "culled" sisters present were noticed the following: Miss Emma Buller, Miss Stella Payne, Mrs. Lewis Anderson, Mrs. Wentworth, Miss Lizzie Webster, Misses Sadie Anderson, Alice Spellman, Miss Irene Webster, Mrs. Marsh, Miss Ida Marsh, Mrs. Mathews, Miss Caldwell, Miss Williams, Miss Maker, Mrs. Bessie Dupont, Miss Raynes, Miss Ethel Buller and Miss Lucy Raymond. Music was furnished by Atwood's orchestra.

The affair proved a grand social and financial success due to the following efficient committee of arrangements: General manager, Daniel Claggett; assistant general manager, John E. Jarkson; floor director, William Williamson; assistant floor director, Jewell Marsh; chief aid, E. H. Fountaine; aids, Charles C. Collins, Fred Lew, William Thomas, William Webster, James Scott, Charles Faulcon, William Lew, Joe Faulcon, John Lew, William Hazard.

ANNUAL MEETING

OF UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—One hundred delegates representing the 277 clubs composing the association were present at the annual meeting of the United States Golf association at Delmonico's last night. Officers were elected with G. Herbert Windeler, Country club, Brookline, Mass., president; W. Fellows Morgan, secretary.

It was voted to hold the amateur championships at the Baltusrol club grounds, Short Hills, N. J., during the week beginning Sept. 5.

The women's championship tournament will be held on the links of the Merion Cricket club, Philadelphia, but the date was not settled.

The Glenn Golf club of Chicago was the only applicant for the open championships and its links were selected. The dates of these tournaments were left open.

FAMILIES FLED.

PORT DEPOSIT, Md., Feb. 12.—The Susquehanna river is 10 feet out of its banks last night and hundreds of families have fled from their inundated homes. A large number of business houses are under water. Thus far no lives have been lost, nor livestock carried away.

PUTNAM & SON CO.

166 CENTRAL STREET

Our Mark Down Sale of Fine Clothing

has been a splendid success. The most decisive bargains are offered today—for we've kept lots at popular prices filled from higher cost goods.

The Overcoat Sale Embraces the Following:

Fine Overcoats from, Rogers, Peet & Co.

and they make the finest ready-made in the world. A few were $25, the others $20. Most every coat has deep silk shoulders and fine worsted lining. Among these, several large sizes, 44 to 46 breast measure; with these, a lot of our own make overcoats that were $20—all three lots today . . **$15**

Fine Oxford Melton Overcoats

of our own make. A coat of which we have sold so many that it is justly famous. We believe these coats to be the greatest value ever offered at $15. The fabric is of very fine quality; the linings of expensive Princess serge, the sleeve linings of best quality satin; the tailoring of the highest class—all today . . **$11.50**

$10 for Men's Overcoats in Regular Cut

made from high-grade cheviot faced overcoatings and fine qualities of frieze. All trimmed with fine Princess serge, or with plaid linings and satin shoulders. Nearly all of these coats have been $15, today for **$10**

Men's All Wool Overcoats, $5.00

Twenty excellent overcoats of all wool oxford and black frieze and black kerseys. Overcoats that have sold for $12, $10 and $8. All today gathered into one lot and marked . . **$5.00**

These Are Men's and Young Men's Suits

The Best Suits from Rogers, Peet & Co.

every high cost suit in the stock, made from imported cheviots and finest worsteds. The very cream of our collection and embracing fabrics that are used exclusively by merchant tailors. These suits have sold for $30, $28 and $25. All marked today . . **$20**

More Fine Suits from Rogers, Peet & Co.

of choice fancy cheviots and worsted cheviots. Every suit of this season's make, stylish and elegant. These in single and double breast coats, have sold for $23, $22 and $20. Your choice today—and it is a wonderful chance to get a good business suit for **$15**

Other Fine Fancy Cheviot Suits

of our own make—in single and double breast coats—including the remainders of the best selling suits in our stock. Every suit new, stylish and splendidly tailored, have sold for $18 and $15, marked today **$10**

Young Men's Suits, $6.00

A small lot, single and double breast sack, of all wool fancy cheviot, fancy worsted and plain black Thibet, sizes 32 to 35 breast; a clearing up of small lines that sold up to $10 and $12, all now marked **$6**

Young Men's Suits, $3.75

Remainders in sizes 31 to 34 breast, and will fit large boys 14 to 17 years of age who wear long trousers. All wool fancy cheviots and plain black suits that sold for $6 and $8. Only one or two suits of a kind. All now **$3.75**

Here are Some Stunning Bargains for Boys

A Lot of Suits $1.50,

for small boys 4 years to 7, pretty Norfolk suits and Vestees, all at a new price. These have sold for $3.50 and $4. All today . . . **$1.50**

Norfolk Suits $2.50

in sizes 8 years to 15. All wool fancy cheviot and plain blue cheviot suits, sold for $3.75 and $4. The lot marked . . **$2.50**

Norfolk Suits $5

embracing every fine Norfolk suit that sold for $7, $8 and $9. Stunning cheviots and plain blue—made with plain or Knickerbocker trousers, sizes 8 to 16 years, all **$5.00**

$1.50 for Boys' Overcoats

Sizes 4 years to 9. Made with half belt in the back, of nice heavy dark melton; full double breasted; silk embroidered emblems on the sleeves. Instead of $2.50, now **$1.50**

$3.00 for Large Boys' Overcoats

Sizes 8 years to 16. The new, smart, long cut, overcoats, made from dark oxford and olive meltons, nicely trimmed and well made. The best values we have ever offered for **$3.00**

200 Pairs of Boys' Short Trousers

made from heavy blue cheviot, with patent bands and rivet suspender buttons. Sizes 4 years to 14, for **25c a Pair**

1000 Pairs of the Best Knee Trousers Ever shown for 50c

These knee trousers are wonders; made from attractive patterns of heavy fancy cheviots and excellent corduroy. Every pair has double stitched taped seams and is warranted not to rip. All of the suspender buttons and fly buttons are riveted on, and can't come off. Sizes are from 4 years to 16, and they're cut good, full, plump sizes, large and roomy through the hips, and with plenty of leg room. The best goods and the most serviceable that we've ever seen for

50 Cents

A Wonderful Sale of Men's and Boys' Neglige Shirts

100 Dozens of Men's Spring Patterns of Neglige Shirts, and Laundered Bosom Business Shirts,

in light and dark grounds, small figures and stripes—every shirt cut a full yard in length, finely made with flat seams and gussets. A separate pair of link cuffs with about every shirt—as cloth is today these shirts are worth 75c. We offer this lot, sizes 14 to 17,

35c Each; 3 Shirts for $1.00

30 Dozens of Boys' Neglige and Laundered Bosom Shirts,

sizes 12 to 14. All handsome and attractive spring patterns, made in the same thorough way as the men's shirts, and of good, generous sizes. Two collars and a pair of separate cuffs with the neglige shirts, and a pair of separate cuffs with the laundered bosoms. You will never match these for 50 cents. While the lot lasts our price is

35c Each; 3 Shirts for $1.00

BY TWO POINTS

Lowell Was Defeated in Haverhill

CROWD GOT AFTER THE REFEREE

Doyle Tossed the Winning Basket

HAVERHILL, Feb. 12.—Haverhill defeated Lowell last evening in an overtime period, Doyle scoring a beautiful goal from the side of the hall. The game was closely fought after the first period, when Lowell took a big lead. With only a minute to play, Lowell led by three points, but a goal by Wachter and a foul by Matthews gave the locals three points. The work of Horan was the feature of the game. Referee Tierney gave a decision which angered the Haverhill crowd and they started right in to make things uncomfortable for the officials. With the score 23 to 19 in favor of Lowell, Tigue of the visiting team made a pretty throw that would have landed squarely in the basket but for the fact that some of the bleachers shook the fence and consequently prevented the ball from going into the basket. For this interference the referee allowed the basket to be scored and there was war at once. The crowd wanted to do all kinds of things to Tierney but the latter stood his ground bravely and in spite of the cat calls went through the game with coolness. Lowell started off like a sure winner and before the fans had hardly realized that a game was on the Lowell men had six points to their credit. At the close of the period they were in the lead by seven points. In the next two periods Haverhill braced up and for a time it was see-saw. With only a minute to play Lowell was in the lead by three points but Wachter tossed a basket and Haverhill got a point on fouls and the score was even. The wildest kind of excitement reigned in the hall at this time and the ten players went in for an extra period. After a few minutes Doyle made a fancy shot and Haverhill had the game by a score of 28 to 26.

HAVERHILL.	LOWELL.
Harrington rf	lg Tigue
Kelliher (Watcher) lf	rb Abbott
Doyle c	c Kane
Lew rb	lf Allard
Horan lb	rf Mathews

FIRST PERIOD.

Goal, Lowell, Allard ..... 2—0
Goal, Lowell, Mathews ..... 4—0
Goal, Lowell, Kane ..... 6—0
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 6—2
Goal, Lowell, Kane ..... 8—2
Third foul, Lowell, Allard ..... 8—3
Third foul, Haverhill, Doyle ..... 9—3
Third foul, Lowell, Allard ..... 9—4
Goal, Lowell, Mathews ..... 11—4

SECOND PERIOD.

Third foul, Haverhill, Kelleher ..... 12—4
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 12—6
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 12—8
Goal, Lowell, Mathews ..... 14—8
Third foul, Lowell, Tigue ..... 14—9
Goal, Haverhill, Lew ..... 14—11
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 14—13
Third foul, Lowell, Allard ..... 14—14
Goal, Lowell, Allard ..... 16—14
Goal, Lowell, Tigue ..... 18—14
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 18—16
Third foul, Lowell, Kane ..... 18—17

THIRD PERIOD.

Third foul, Lowell, Kane ..... 18—18
Third foul, Haverhill, Wachter ..... 19—18
Goal, Lowell, Allard ..... 21—18
Third foul, Lowell, Abbott ..... 21—19
Goal, Lowell, Tigue ..... 23—19
Third foul, Lowell, Tigue ..... 23—20
Third foul, Haverhill, Wachter ..... 24—20
Third foul, Lowell, Mathews ..... 24—21
Goal, Lowell, Kane ..... 26—21
Goal, Haverhill, Lew ..... 26—23
Goal, Haverhill, Wachter ..... 26—25
Third foul, Lowell, Mathews ..... 26—26

OVERTIME PERIOD.

Goal, Haverhill, Doyle ..... 28—26

Score, Haverhill 28, Lowell 26. Goals from the floor, Horan 5, Lew 2, Wachter, Doyle, Kane 3, Mathews 3, Allard 3, Tigue 2. Points on fouls, Haverhill 10, Lowell 4. Fouls committed, Wachter 5, Doyle 4, Harrington 2, Horan 2, Kelliher, Mathews 9, Allard 6, Abbott 5, Kane 5, Tigue 6. Referee, J. Tierney of Lowell. Timekeepers, Connie Driscoll for Haverhill, James Gray for Lowell. Attendance, 700.

LOWELL Y. M. C. A. LOST.

BOSTON, Feb. 12—The Y. M. C. A. first team defeated the Lowell Y. M. C. A. 20 to 13 in a fast contest last evening. The first period ended 10 to 8 in favor of the home team. The playing in the second period was spirited, with the local men excelling in team play.

The summary:

BOSTON.	LOWELL.
Needham rf	lb Gray
Smith lf	rb Myrick
Williams c	c Wilson
Seymour rb	lf Pierson
Alcott lb	rf Johnson

Score, Boston 20, Lowell 13. Goals from floor, Needham 2, Smith 2, Williams 2, Seimour 2, Alcott 2, Johnson 3, Myrick, Wilson, Pierson. Goal from foul, Pierson. Referee, Briggs. Scorer, Vining. Timer, Merrill. Time, 20m. periods. Attendance, 300.

BASKETBALL NOTES.

Hot one, wasn't it?

Natick tonight in Huntington hall with Charlie Martens in the lineup.

Getzinger will play center for Lowell tonight, having wired Manager Gray that he would be on hand to play as terms were satisfactory. The Lowell lineup will be Matthews and Kane, Getzinger, Tigue and Abbott. Allard and Holleron will be ready to jump in if any one is injured.

Lowell will play in Hudson Monday night.

Toby got in his usual three goals last night. You can't beat the tall lad.

The Lowell High school team will have for opponents the strong Melrose High school team at the annex next Wednesday afternoon. The Melrose boys have suffered defeat only twice in two years, and have the distinction of defeating the fastest school teams in the state. Last year they administered a sound drubbing to the local High school boys, but they will find this year's team a hard nut to crack.

DANCING PARTY

UNDER AUSPICES OF STATIONARY FIREMEN.

A dancing party was held in Machinists hall in Central street last night under the auspices of the International Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen, and there was a large attendance. The music for dancing was furnished by McElroy's orchestra.

The officers in charge of the affair were as follows:

Hugh J. Gallagher, general manager; Don McMahon, assistant; Michael Ready, floor director; James Rogers, assistant; aids, J. L. Rogers, Thomas Kelly, D. McMullen, John Walton, John Scollans; reception committee, Dominick Meehan, William Liddle, Oscar Brown, John Coleman, John McGuinness, William Green, P. Brady; general committee, H. J. Gallagher, chairman; John Walton; secretary-treasurer, John Rogers. James Ashe.

REWARD OFFERED

FOR CAPTURE OF ESCAPED CONVICT.

BOSTON, Feb. 12—Warden Benjamin F. Bridges has offered a reward of $100 for the capture of Edward Waters, the convict who escaped from the state prison Wednesday night. Up to midnight last night the officials had discovered no clue to his whereabouts.

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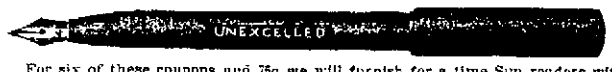

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FOR TWO YEARS

Ex-Chief Oakes Sent to Jail

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—Edward H. Oakes who on Saturday night laid down the badge of office as chief of police of Revere, last night slept in a cell of the Salem house of correction as a convicted criminal. He was yesterday afternoon sentenced to two years for forgery.

Oakes was tried last week in the superior criminal court in Salem, and a verdict of guilty was returned Monday morning. The charge was forgery, uttering a note for $900 by selling it to Michael R. Connolly of Lynn, knowing an indorsement on it was forged.

The facts as developed at the trial were that Oakes was interested in a cigar store on Washington street, Boston, in 1901. He negotiated to sell it to A. W. Gore, Jr., and a man named Somerville. Gore one day, before Oakes, made out a note for $900 to pay for the store. He asked Oakes whose name he should put on it as indorser, and Oakes replied "Your father's," and Gore wrote the name of his father, a wealthy Cambridge man. This note Oakes sold to Connolly, giving $50 discount.

The evidence was contradictory. Young Gore, who is at Deer Island for his part in the affair, testified that his own evidence in court in Boston was false. Other witnesses testified to talking with persons who took the stand and denied having ever seen them.

J. H. Sisk, counsel for Oakes, moved for a new trial, claiming that the verdict was against the evidence, and he made another motion on the ground of newly discovered evidence that a government witness was bribed to tertify falsely. Both motions were overruled. A motion for stay of sentence, pending exceptions, was also denied. Judge Lawton said that he would pass on the exceptions Saturday, and if they justified it, he would authorize a stay of sentence.

When the sentence was read to him Oakes appeared calm. Handcuffed to Deputy Sheriff Bishop, he was led to a hack and driven to the house of correction. Quite a crowd gathered to see him come out, and he seemed completely crestfallen and avoided their gaze.

The one topic of conversation in public places, and in private places, also, in Revere, last evening, was the sentence of Oakes.

AMERICAN GIRL

THE BRIDE OF BOSTON CHINAMAN.

PROVIDENCE, Feb. 12.—Wong Toy of Boston visited this city yesterday and was married to Miss Annie Gertrude Louise Morrison, also of Boston. The groom said he was 23 and the "Mellican girl" bride declared she was two years his junior. It was the first Chinese wedding party from Boston to be accompanied by a white man and woman as witnesses. They were married by parson Plumber.

FORTUNE TELLERS

WILL BE DRIVEN FROM NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Police Commissioner McAdoo announced yesterday his intention to begin a warfare against so-called "fortune tellers," assigning two plain clothes officers to visit imposters of this class and order them from the city. The fakirs working among the poor on the lower East side will be first attacked, after which those consulted by the wealthy and socially prominent will be investigated.

SCHUBERT MALE QUARTET.

Speaking of the Schubert Male quartet of Boston, which apepars in Y. M. C. A. Star Course at First Congregational church, Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock, the Fitchburg Morning Sun says: "Last in the Y. M. C. A. course of entertainments proved to be the most enjoyable of all. Lovers of music had a rare treat when the Schubert Male quartet appeared; they were accorded enthusiastic encores. Introduced new features never heard here before, both refreshing and novel. It was without doubt the best entertainment of the course."

The quartet will be assisted by Elvie Burnett, one of Boston's most talented readers, who has won unstinted praise for her artistic performances. Plan opens at Y. M. C. A. Tuesday morning.

JOLLY LEAP YEAR PARTY.

The Centralville Jolly club held a successful leap year party last evening in Centralville Odd Fellows' hall. Music was furnished by the Imeprial orchestra, A. B. Sunbury leader. Previous to a dance order of 20 numbers the orchestra gave the following concert program: March, "The Billboard," Klorr; "The Chinese Honeymoon," Hoffman; Intermezzo, "The Jolly Club," dedicated to the Centralville Jolly club by the author, Werner. A. F. Adams was general manager, H. J. Rocar floor director; aids, H. J. Roberts, F. J. Conroy and Paul Gott.

CHEAPEST OF ALL.

Of all the forms of advertising, the cheapest and best is advertising in the daily newspapers. The cheapest newspapers are those with the largest circulation in their respective fields . . . . Handbills are wasteful, expensive and of little effect. Posters are played out, because they are costly and very uncertain in durability or effect. Signboards are expensive and short lived. The Daily Newspaper is the safest, surest and cheapest of all, and the best of the local papers is The Sun, because it has the largest circulation in Lowell.

LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER

SEWING BEE

HELD AT GRACE UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.

An old-fashioned sewing bee was held at Grace church yesterday afternoon and evening and it was an immense success. The parishioners were out en masse and many of them were accompanied by their friends.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the dames and mesdames of the church commenced quilting, continuing until 6.30 when supper was served. At this feature the male members of the parish also attended and they were served with an appetizing supper, prepared by the good housewives of the church.

Supper was concluded at 8 o'clock and then everyone sat down and enjoyed a first-class entertainment given by the Misses Hard and Flemings and Roland Black and Sidney Barton. Both young ladies were very entertaining and the gentlemen also showed their ability to entertain in a most pleasing manner.

Several tables found many ready purchasers. Mrs. W. R. Kew had charge of arrangements.

NASHUA BRIDE

BUT LOWELL GROOM, AND NASHUA LOSES A POPULAR LADY.

Miss Sarah McBride of this city and Thomas Francis Hennessey of Lowell were united in marriage at the Church of the Immaculate Conception yesterday. The bride was gowned in light gray trimmed with pink and carried a bouquet of bride roses. The bridemaid was Miss Margaret McBride, sister of the bride, and Joseph Shaunnessey of Lowell was best man. Rev. E. E. Buckle officiated and Mr. and Mrs. Hennessey held a reception at the bride's home. They left at noon, with the best wishes of a host of friends, on their bridal tour.—Nashua Press.

NORTHERN SECURITIES

CONSIDERED TO BE MOST IMPORTANT.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12—The case against the Northern Securities company is the only one of the actions against combines which has been considered by the attorney general to be of such "general public importance" as to entitle it to procedure over other litigations. This statement was made to the house yesterday in a speech by acting Attorney General W. A. Day in response to a resolution of inquiry as to the present status of the various pending suits against the combines. In giving this status Mr. Day takes up the case of the Northern Securities company first, saying the petition was filed March 10, 1902, and the case is now pending on appeal in the supreme court of the United States at Washington.

After giving the status of different cases the report says:

"I inadvertently omitted from my report of Jan. 13, 1904, the case of the Interstate commerce commission vs. the Chesapeake & Ohio and New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad companies, pending in the United States circuit court for the western district of Virginia at Lynchburg. This was a petition in equity filed July 13, 1903, for the purpose of enjoining the defendants companies from violating the act to regulate commerce which prohibits interstate carriers from making unjust discriminations or giving undue preferences in rates. The government contended that the law was being violated in that a coal company controlled by the Chesapeake & Ohio company sold coal to the New York, New Haven & Hartford company for less than the cost of mining plus the published tariff of the Chesapeake & Ohio for transporting the coal to its destination, and that this amounted to the Chesapeake & Ohio transporting the coal in question at less than its published rates. The case was decided in favor of the government on Jan. 30 last. It is not yet known whether or not the defendants will appeal."

BOXING GOSSIP

Joe Russell, who runs a stable for boxers in Boston has discovered a new 105-pound man whom he wants to put against some of the good ones and he writes to Lowell to see if there are any at that weight in this city. Of course there is Kid Flannery, but at present Flannery is doing business with Jimmy Walsh, the champion at that weight and is not looking elsewhere. If he does not succeed with Walsh he will be pleased to talk business with Russell.

Mr. Russell also has a 115-pound man in Eddie Hull, whom he would like to put on against Peter Brooks of Lawrence.

Tonight a fine bill is offered at the Riverview club at the usual smoker, with a final between Tom McLaughlin and a Lawrence welterweight. It will be McLaughlin's reappearance in the ring and great things are expected of him by his friends.

AMERICAN SHIP ASHORE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—A despatch received yesterday by the California Shipping company says that the American ship Henry B. Hyde, owned by that corporation, is ashore off Dampeek station, Chesapeake bay. A gale is blowing and the vessel is reported going to pieces. The ship was on her way from Baltimore to New York to load for San Francisco. She was built at Bath, Me., and has a displacement of 2583 tons.

WOMEN TO VOTE

Favorable Report From the Committee

The committee on election laws of the legislature reported favorably yesterday the bill to permit women to vote in caucuses for the nomination of members of the school board. It is understood that Representative William C. S. Healey of ward 2, Boston, will dissent, and Senator Carleton F. How of Haverhill will reserve the right to dissent, though he says he is in favor of the bill and will probably not oppose it.

Apparently this bill is the only woman suffrage measure that will be favorably reported this year. Yesterday the same committee reported adversely on the petition of Lucia Ames Mead to allow women to vote at municipal elections. This report was signed for the committee by house chairman Robert Luce and is unanimous, save for the dissent of Representative McManus of Natick.

The committee has not decided what it will do with the bill to permit women to vote on the question of license. Several members of the committee say the vote will be more evenly divided than on the measures already reported.

This committee reported no legislation necessary yesterday on the recommendation of Gov. Bates in favor of women's suffrage.

AS TEMPERANCE MEASURE.

A bill to permit women to vote on the question of license was yesterday given a hearing before the committee on election laws at the state house. In favor of the measure there appeared the petitioner, Katherine L. Stevenson, B. B. Johnson of Waltham, Eliza Trask Hill, M. J. Fanning and others. All the speakers argued that such a measure would be a step in favor of temperance and they urged a favorable consideration of the bill.

In opposition election commissioner Charles R. Saunders of Boston, Mrs Charles Guild, Frank Foxcroft of Cambridge urged that there is no great demand for the passage of the bill, and Mr. Saunders said that women ought not to have this right because they cannot bear arms in time of war nor do jury service, both of which duties he urged should go with the right to vote.

93 YEARS

OLDEST RESIDENT OF NORTH ANDOVER.

On Monday Mrs. Harriet McDonald of North Andover Centre reached her 93d birthday and as for many yenrs the anniversary was observed by a gathering of relatives and friends at the home, 38 Andover street. During the day the neighbors and many of the friends of the aged lady called and paid their respects to her, says the Lawrence Telegram. In the afternoon a bounteous repast was partaken of by about 25 of the relatives of the venerable hostess, present from Manchester, N. H., Methuen, Andover, Boston, Dorchester, Lowell, Reading and North Andover. In the early evening the guests departed, expressing their kindliest wishes that the day bring many returns.

Mrs. McDonald is the oldest resident of the town, having been born and lived there practically all of her life. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Moour. Her father was born in Frye village, Andover, and her mother, who was Phoebe Chandler, was a native of the latter town also. Her maternal grandfather was a drum major in the revolutionary war.

Mrs. McDonald is in excellent health and retains her faculties to a remarkable degree. She recalls distinctly when Lafayette passed through Andover. She was one of a family of five sisters and a brother, one of the sisters, Mrs. Mary Grush, being a resident of Lowell and in her 86th year. Mrs. McDonald's husband, James P. McDonald, died in 1889. Of her three children, a son, Albert McDonald, with whom she makes her home, survives.

Among those who partook of dinner were: George F. Moour and Mr. and Mrs. George Vermille of Manchester, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Moour and son, Percy Moour of Methuen, Miss Cora Grush of Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Grush of Dorchester, Mrs. Fred A. Andrews of Andover, Miss Elizabeth M. Saunders of North Andover and Miss Carrie Merrill of Peabody, Mrs. Fred P. Hanniford, Miss Mabel Hanniford of North Andover, Mrs. Horace N. Stevens of North Andover, Mrs. Charles G. Hussey and Mrs. George Hussey of Andover, Mr. and Mrs. Albert McDonald, Proctor and Miss Polly Chandler and Mrs. L. M. Phipps, all of the town.

WAR DECLARATION

IS NOT NECESSARY SAYS PROF. WOOLSEY.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 11.—Prof. Theodore S. Woolsey of the Yale law school, an authority on international law today, gave it as his opinion that in breaking off diplomatic relations, the Japanese government gave a perfectly fair warning to Russia that war was at hand. "A declaration of war nowadays is unnecessary," said Prof. Woolsey. "War dates from the first moment of conflict so far as the belligerents are concerned. Neutral duties date from the official announcement made to other governments that war has begun.

"There was nothing treacherous or improper in the Japanese torpedo attack upon the Russian ships at Port Arthur."

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FINAL LEVEE

RECEPTION IN HONOR OF ARMY AND NAVY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The final levee of the season at the White House the reception in honor of the army and navy, was given by President and Mrs. Roosevelt last night. The affair was the most brilliant of all the receptions. There was a large contigent of the diplomatic corps present in full court dress and the toilets of the ladies were beautiful. Admiral Dewey and staff and Lieut. Gen. Chaffee and his staff were conspicuous among the large number of those who came. The marine band furnished the music.

FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE

ARRESTED BY THE PHILADELPHIA POLICE.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—Martin Bertsch, alleged fugitive from Switzerland, was arrested here last night by Deputy Marshal Helms, charged with embezzlement. He was located in a cheap boarding house in the slum district, where he was known as Fritz Wiederker.

Bertsch, it is said, was treasurer of the Corporation society of Melz, Switzerland, and is charged with embezzling funds of the organization to the amount of 25,000 francs. He is also accused of embezzling 30,000 francs from estates of which he was executor.

POLO NOTES.

Marion and Richmond are tied for first honors in the western league.

The crippled Indians are still at the bottom of the list and if they could go any lower they would for the team is in a very poor condition.

Fort Wayne has a good lead on the other clubs in the central polo league.

A fine drive off the bat of Tommy Holderness of Muncie, in the second period of the game, Saturday night, at Indianapolis, struck Allie Coggshall, Indianapolis centre, squarely in the jaw and sent him to the floor with a terrible jolt. He fell as if mortally wounded. When the other players assisted him to his feet, and a physician was called, it was learned that he had lost three teeth, and had sustained a fractured jaw. His injuries will put him out of the game for some time. Murtaugh, who has been released, took Coggshall's place and finished the game.

FIRST CONTRACT AWARDED.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 12.—So far as known here the first contract looking toward the reconstruction of Baltimore has been awarded to a Pittsburg firm. James Stewart & Co., the contractors, of this city, have been given the contract for the rebuilding of the Baltimore Herald's ten story building and will begin at once.

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C. Y. M. L. DRAMATICS

"Friends" a Clever Comedy Most Ably Presented

The dramatic society of the C. Y. M. L. added new laurels to their reputation last night, when a most successful presentation of the comedy "Friends" was given in the Opera house. A large audience that was quick to recognize the clever work of the young people asembled and the applause with which every fine piece of acting was greeted was most encouraging to the amateurs.

It was the first time that local amateurs had attempted to present "Friends" and it may be said, that the work of the cast

JAMES B. COUGHLIN.

was far ahead of that shown last year when "Rosedale" was given. John Quinn, who directed the performance, is deserving of credit for his work and the results accomplished, and too much cannot be said in praise of the efforts of the people who assumed the different characters. From the boxes the pastor of St. Patrick's with the priests of the parish and Rev. E. A. Dorgan, O. M. I., of the Immaculate Conception church saw the performance and were gratified with the success achieved. Nothing could have passed off more smoothly, and during the entire play there was no slipup in lines, no prompting required and the staginess that many amateurs are prone to affect and which detracts from the merit of their work was not in evidence at all. The cast of characters was as follows:

Marguerite Otto of the Metropolitan Opera house.....Miss Ethel Ranger
Hans Otto, her father. Mr. James B. Coughlin
Harold Hunting, director of the Metropolitan Opera house. Mr. Daniel S. O'Brien
John Paden, Sr., a business man. Mr. John J. McNabb
John Padden, Jr., a modern poet. Mr. John J. Hanlon
Adrian Karje, a pianist. Mr. John J. Sullivan
Jennie Merryweather. Miss Lillian O'Brien
Miss Wolfe of the Metropolitan Opera house.....Miss Madeline Crevier
Miss Hartman of the Metropolitan Opera house.....Miss Elizabeth Connell
Henry, a servant.....Mr. Frank Higgins

Synopsis—Act 1, Mrs. Merryweather's lodgings; act 2, drawing room at Marguerite Otto's; act 3, Harold Hunting's apartments; act 4, green room, leading to Marguerite's dressing room at the Metropolitan Opera house.

Time, the present; place, New York.

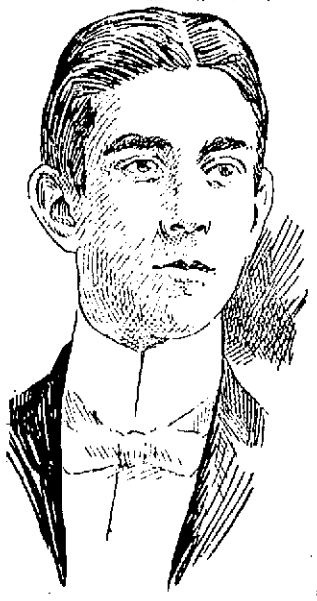
As Marguerite Otto of the Metropolitan Opera house Miss Ethel Ranger was most pleasing. She was most effective in the climaxes and her singing of "Good Bye," at the close of the second act, was exceptionally good.

She was entirely at home in the role and was self-possessed at all times. Her lines were effectively delivered and she surprised all by her elocution.

Miss Lillian O'Brien proved herself a very clever little lady and as "Jennie Merryweather," she accepted every opportunity to display her cleverness. She was a great favorite with the audience and was loudly applauded.

The leading male character was assigned to James B. Coughlin, who was "Hans Otto," and he lived up to the reputation that he has already established in dramatic circles in this vicinity. Something of a fine order was expected from him and there was no disappointment. Particularly in the third act did he show his ability when under the influence of liquor and drugs he did the cleverest piece of acting of the night.

John McNabb, as John Paden, Sr., made a hit from the start. The character of the crabbed, old man who thinks everyone is wrong and that he is right, was given an excellent interpretation by him and his scenes with his son, John Paden, Jr., impersonated by John J. Hanlon, were some of the leading features of the comedy. Mr. Hanlon never appeared to better advantage in dramatic roles and the great improvement in his work was most marked. "Harold Hunting," the director of the Metropolitan opera house was ably handled by Daniel S. O'Brien, who has appeared in different productions in this city and always wins praise for his careful and masterly playing.



JOHN J. SULLIVAN.

John J. Sullivan, who with John J. Hanlon assumed the characters that gave the name to the piece, was quick to see the advantages offered by the character "Adrian Karje," the pianist, and as a result presented some finished acting. The strangeness of the character did not phase him at all.

ETHEL CLAYTON RANGER.

JOHN J. HANLON.

"Miss Wolfe" and "Miss Hartman," members of the Metropolitan Opera house, parts filled by Miss Madeline Chevier and Miss Elizabeth Connell respectively, were done well.

HEEL CRUSHED

Manuel Pitte, residing at 59 Charles street, met with a painful accident while at work in the Hamilton mills this morning. He was at work about the elevator in No. 4 comber room when he got his right foot caught between the elevator and the flooring. When the accident happened he tried to stop the elevator and shouted for help.

Several of the other operatives of the room ran to his assistance and after stopping the elevator it was found that his heel was badly crushed. The ambulance was summoned and upon its arrival he was removed to the Lowell hospital where his injury was dressed.

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A PROCLAMATION

President Sets Forth Our Impartial Attitude

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12.—The United States government late yesterday afternoon issued its formal proclamation of neutrality. This action was finally decided upon after the call at the state department this morning of Minister Takahira, who officially informed Secretary of State Hay that a state of war existed between Japan and Russia.

This official notification, after reciting the termination of negotiations with Russia, states that the Mikado had on February 10 issued a rescript declaring war against Russia.

Minister Takahira told Secretary Hay he was also instructed to express the hope of Japan that the necessary measure would be adopted in order to make the neutrality of the United States effective. The proclamation is as follows:

By the President of the United States of America:

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas, a state of war unhappily exists between Japan on the one side and Russia on the other side; and,

Whereas, the United States is on terms of friendship and amity with both the contending powers and with the persons inhabiting their several dominions; and,

Whereas, there are citizens of the United States residing within the territories or dominations of each of the said belligerents and carrying on commerce, trade or other business or pursuits therein, protected by the faith of treaties; and,

Whereas, there are subjects of each of the said belligerents residing within the territory or jurisdiction of the United States and carrying on commerce, trade or other business or pursuits therein; and,

Whereas, the laws of the United States, without interfering with the free expression of opinion and sympathy, or with the open manufacture or sale of arms or munitions of war, nevertheless impose upon all persons who may be within their territory and jurisdiction the duty of an impartial neutrality during the existence of the contest; and,

Whereas, it is the duty of a neutral government not to permit or suffer the making of its waters subservient to the purpose of war.

IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE UNITER STATES' NEUTRALITY.

Now, therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, president of the United States of America, in order to preserve the neutrality of the United States and of their citizens and of persons within their territory and jurisdiction, and to enforce their laws, and in order that all persons, being warned of the general tenor of the laws and treaties of the United States in this behalf, and of the law of nations, may thus be prevented from unintentional violation of the same, do hereby declare and proclaim that, by the act passed on the 20th day of April, A. D., 1818, commonly known as the "neutrality law," the following acts are forbidden to be done, under severe penalties, within the territory and jurisdiction of the United States, to wit:

1—Accepting and exercising a commission to serve either of the said belligerents by land or by sea against the other belligerent.

2—Enlisting or entering into the service of either of the belligerents as a soldier, as a marine or seaman on board of any vessel of war, letter of marque or privateer.

3—Hiring or retaining another person to enlist or enter himself in the service of either of the said belligerents as a soldier, or as a marine or seaman on board of any vessel of war, letter of marque or privateer.

4—Hiring another person to go beyond the limits or jurisdiction of the United States with intent to be enlisted as aforesaid.

5—Hiring a man to go beyond the limits of the United States to be entered as aforesaid.

6—Retaining another person to go beyond the limits of the United States with intent to be entered as aforesaid.

7—Retaining another person to go beyond the limits of the United States to be entered into service as aforesaid. For the said act is not to be construed to extend to a citizen of either belligerent, who, being transiently within the United States, shall, on board of any vessel of war, which at the time of its arrival within the United States was fully equipped as such vessel of war, enlist or enter himself or hire or retain another subject or citizen of the same belligerent, who is transiently within the United States, to enlist or enter himself to service of such belligerent on such vessel of war if the United States shall then be at peace with such belligerent.

FITTING OUT OF EXPEDITION.

8—Fitting out or arming, or attempting to fit out and arm, or procuring to be fitted out and armed, or knowingly being concerned in the furnishing, fitting out or arming of any ship or vessel with intent that such ship or vessel shall be employed in the service of either of the belligerents.

9—Issuing or delivering a commission within the territory or jurisdiction of the United States for any ship or vessel to the intent that she may be employed as aforesaid.

10—Increasing or augmenting, or procuring, to be increased or augmented, or knowingly being concerned in increasing or augmenting, the force of any ship of war, cruiser or other armed vessel, which at the time of her arrival within the United States was a ship of war, cruiser or armed vessel in the service of either of the said belligerents, or belonging to the subjects of either, by adding to the number of guns of such vessels, or by changing those on board of her for guns of larger caliber, or by the addition thereto of any equipment solely applicable to war.

11—Beginning, or setting on foot, or providing or preparing the means for any military expedition or enterprise to be carried on from the territory, or jurisdiction of the United States against the territory or dominions of either of the said belligerents.

USE OF AMERICAN WATERS.

And I do hereby further declare and proclaim that any frequenting and use of the waters within the territorial jurisdiction of the United States by the armed vessels of either belligerents whether public ships or privateers, for the purpose of preparing for hostile operations, or as posts of observations upon the ships of war or privateers or merchant vessels of the other belligerent, lying within or being about to enter the jurisdiction of the United States, must be regarded as unfriendly and offensive and in violation of that neutrality which it is the determination of this government to observe; and to the end that the hazard and inconvenience of such apprehended practices may be avoided, I further proclaim and declare that from and after the 15th day of February instant and during the continuance of the present hostilities between Japan and Russia, no ship of war or privateer of either belligerent shall be permitted to make use of any port, harbor, roadstead, or waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United States from which a vessel of the other belligerent (whether the same shall be a ship of war, a privateer, or a merchant ship) shall have previously departed until after the expiration of at least 24 hours from the departure of such last mentioned vessel beyond the jurisdiction of the United States.

If any ship of war or privateer of either belligerent shall, after the time of this notification takes effect, enter any port, harbor, roadstead or waters of the United States, such vessel shall be required to depart and to put to sea within 24 hours after her entrance into such port, harbor, roadstead or waters, except in case of stress of weather or of her requiring provisions or things necessary for the subsistence of her crew or for repairs; in either of which cases the authorities of the port or of the nearest port (as the case may be) shall require her to put to sea as soon as possible after the expiration of such period of 24 hours without permitting her to take in supplies beyond what may be necessary for her immediate use; and no such vessel which may have been permitted to remain within the waters of the United States for the purpose of repair shall continue within such port, harbor, roadstead or waters for a longer period than 24 hours after her necessary repairs shall have been completed, unless within such 24 hours, a vessel, whether ship of war, privateer, or merchant ship of the other belligerent, shall have departed therefrom. In which case the time limited for the departure of such ship of war or privateer shall be extended so far as may be necessary to secure an interval of not less than 24 hours between such departure and that of any ship of war, privateer or merchant ship of the other belligerent which may have previously quit the same port, harbor, roadstead or waters. No ship of war, or privateer of either belligerent shall be detained in any port, harbor or roadstead or waters of the United States more than 24 hours, by reason of the successive departures from such port, harbor, roadstead or waters of more than one vessel of the other belligerent. But if there be several vessels of each or either of the two belligerents in the same port, harbor, roadstead or waters, the order of their departure therefrom shall be so arranged as to afford the opportunity of leaving alternately to the vessels or the respective belligerents, and to cause the least detention consistent with the objects of this proclamation. No ship of war or privateer of either belligerent shall be permitted, while in any port, harbor, roadstead or waters within the jurisdiction of the United States to take in any supplies except provisions and such other things as may be requisite for the subsistence of her crew and except so much coal only as may be sufficient to carry such vessel, if without any sail power, to the nearest port of her own country; or in case the vessel is rigged to go under sail, and may also be propelled by steam power, then with half the quantity of coal which she would be entitled to receive, if dependent upon steam alone, and no coal shall be again supplied to any such ship of war or privateer in the same or any other port, harbor, roadstead or waters of the United States, without special permission, until after the expiration of three months from the time when such coal may have been last supplied to her within the waters of the United States, unless such ship or privateer shall, since last thus supplied, have entered a port of the government to which she belongs.

TERMS OF TREATY.

And, I further declare and proclaim that by the first article of the convention as to the rights of neutrals at sea which was concluded between the United States of America and his majesty, the emperor of all the Russias, on the 22d day of July, A. D., 1854, the following principles were recognized as premanent and immutable, to wit:

1 That free ships make free goods; that is to say, that the effects or goods belonging to subjects or citizens of a power or state at war are free from capture and confiscation when found on board of neutral vessels, with the exception of articles of contraband of war.

2. That the property of neutrals on board an enemy's vessel is not subject to confiscation, unless the same be contraband of war.

And I further declare and proclaim that the statutes of the United States and the law of nations alike require that no person within the territory and jurisdiction of the United States shall take part, directly or indirectly, in the said war, but shall remain at peace with each of the said belligerents, and shall maintain a strict and impartial neutrality and that whatever privilege shall be accorded to one of the belligerents within the ports of the United States shall in like manner be accorded to the other.

I do hereby enjoin all the good citizens of the United States, and all persons residing or being within the territory or jurisdiction of the United States, to observe the laws thereof and to commit no act contrary to the provisions of the said statutes, or in violation of the law of nations in that behalf.

And I do hereby warn all citizens of the United States and all persons residing or being within their territory or jurisdiction that while the free and full expression of sympathy in public and private is not restricted by the laws of the United States, military force in aid of either belligerent cannot lawfully be originated or organized within their jurisdiction; and that while all persons may lawfully, and without restriction by reason of the aforesaid state of war, manufacture and sell within the United States arms and munitions of war, and other articles ordinarily known as "contraband of war," yet they cannot carry such articles upon the high seas for the use or service of either belligerent nor can they transport soldiers and officers of either or attempt to break any blockade which may be lawfully established and maintained during the war without incurring the risk of hostile capture and the penalties denounced by the law of nations in that behalf.

And, I do hereby give notice that all citizens of the United States and others who may claim the protection of the government who may misconduct themselves in thep remises, will do so at their peril, and that they can in no wise obtain any protection from the government of the United States against the consequences of their misconduct.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this 11th day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-eighth.

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JOHN HAY, Secretary of State.

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BANKS OPENED

Contents of Vaults Were Unharmed

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 12.—Baltimore is gradually resuming its normal condition. All the banks are opened today in their temporary quarters, well supplied with funds to meet the demands for weekly payrolls and for all ordinary needs. Hundreds of depositors were at the banks early with checks which were promptly cashed. Next Monday the regular clearings will begin. The vaults of all the national banks in Baltimore have now been opened, the last one having been inspected today and in each the contents were found to be unharmed. Charles C. Homer, president of the clearing house association, expressed himself today as being more hopeful than ever as to the quick restoration of healthy financial conditions in Baltimore.

To minimize as far as possible the hardships under which the inhabitants now suffer, Mayor McLane and his municipal associates have decided to temporarily suspend the collection of taxes and water rents, it having been discovered that the city has enough money on hand, as the result of large collections in January, to meet all requirements for an indefinite period.

Mayor McLane has called a special session of the city council to meet tonight to consider whether any legislation is needed in the matter, conditions for the realignment of public thoroughfares in the burned district and the re-construction of buildings. Several insurance claims were paid today and leading agents here say that at least $10,000,000 have already been paid out and that many millions in checks have been received here and are now on deposit ready to be paid out after some partial adjustments have been made. They state that the big companies have deposited a much larger amount in New York subject to the order of agents.

At a conference held today between Mayor Robert McLane and the citizens committee, it was decided that no call would be made for outside assistance to relieve the distressed situation caused by the fire. If it is found necessary later on, the municipality will float a loan to meet all needs.

M. Little & Co., Bridge street corner Third, give double green stamps with each wrapper sold today and tomorrow. Big line of "Reliance Corsette" house dresses in stock

ANNUAL REUNION

Of St. Peter's Parish at Huntington Hall

Huntington hall was the scene of another joyous party last evening, the third in succession to be conducted in this hall by Catholic societies. The occasion last evening and the one to which all roads led was the annual parish sociable and reunion of St. Peter's church, and for attendance and merriment the affair will long be remembered. As is always the case the affairs conducted by St. Peter's are

THOMAS J. McDERMOTT,
Floor Director.

very largely attended, the attendance not only embracing those within the confines of the parish but from other parishes, also as well as several non-Catholics.

The Tabernacle society had much to do with the details of the work.

The decorations last evening in and about the hall were exquisite, to say the least. The stage was liberally dotted with potted plants and ferns and overhead suspended from the proscenium were the letters in vari-colored incandescents: "Welcome." The auditorium looked resplendent bedecked with bunting of green and white, streamers of which were suspended from the centre of the hall to the sides of the gallery. Around the sides of the gallery were folds of bunting of white and green with tassels. Suspended at intervals from the gallery were huge baskets of artificial roses. On the whole the effect was very striking and evoked much comment.

AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE.

The afternoon was given over to the children of the parish and the entertainment provided more than delighted the young folks. The hall was crowded when at 2 o'clock the program opened. Miss Belle Laviane sang a pretty little song. Miss Caroline Tyrrell, who has time and again danced herself into favor, won new laurels by her graceful movements. Other numbers were contributed by talent from one of the local theatres. A skit entitled "A Haunted House," was also presented by Joseph O'Connell and John Quinn, which provoked no end of amusement. Misses Harriet Gormley and Rose Nugent directed the entertainment.

EVENING ENTERTAINMENT.

Of course the main portion of the reunion took place in the evening and the 2500 people who found seats in the hall were well satisfied.

At 8 p. m., the schedule hour for the opening of the entertainment, every seat in the gallery was taken. G. M. Horrigan, general manager, and his assistant, Dr. Edw. M. Murphy, were kept busy in the early evening attending to the comforts of the gathering while the members of the reception committee lent valuable assistance.

The entertainment was opened shortly after 8 o'clock.

Following the entertainment general dancing was engaged in until 1 o'clock, to the music of the Colonial orchestra.

The officers are: General manager, George M. Horrigan; assistant, Dr. Edward M. Murphy; floor director, Thomas J. McDermott; assistant, Edward Bushnell.

Chief aids—C. J. Mulholland, William D. Regan, Eugene Crane, Francis Murphy.

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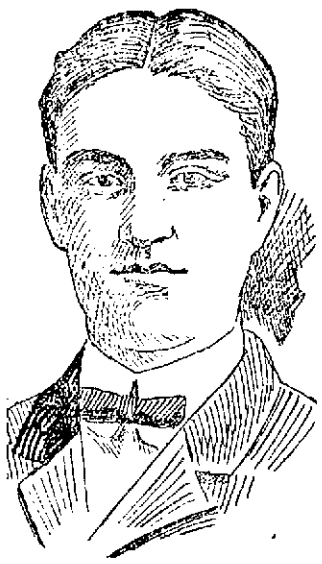
The various tables were presided over by the following ladies of the parish:

Lemonade table—Matron, Miss Katherine Quinn; assistants, Mrs. Jeremiah Driscoll, Miss Mary Quinn, Miss Josephine Quinn, Miss Mary McNamee, Miss Delia Keenan, Miss Katherine Laughlin, Miss Mary Barrett, Miss Mary McOwen, Miss Anna Coughlin, Miss Madeline Driscoll, Miss Dorothy Driscoll, Miss Katherine Kelly, Miss Mary Cryan, Miss Mary Gaffney, Miss Gertrude McQuade, Miss Elizabeth Cassidy, Miss Josephine Barrett, Miss Mary E. Carroll, Miss Regina Girard, Miss Nora Pine, Miss Agnes Cassidy, Miss Minnie Donahue, Miss Kathryn McGuire, Miss Katherine M. King, Miss Margaret C. Riley, Miss Josie Conway, Miss Elizabeth Murningham, Miss Cassie Tobin, Miss Chrissie Kane, Miss Della Conley, Miss Katie Kevill, Miss Mollie Donohoe, Miss Mollie Duffy, Miss Mary Tobin.

Candy table—Delia T. Brady, matron; Mrs. Frank Campbell, Mrs. James Donohoe, Mrs. William Dailey, Mrs. Edward Kerwin, Mrs. James McCarthy, Mrs. E. Herrick, Mrs. Henry Rourk, Mrs. Joseph Donohoe, Mrs. Gerow, Mrs. William Murphy, Misses Sadie E. Tully, Rose Kane, Margaret



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Refreshment Table—Mrs. Miles F. Burns, matron; Mrs. P. F. Kane, Mrs. J. W. Kane, Mrs. Charles Kirby, Mrs. Fred Sherrow, Mrs. John Nolan, Mrs. John J. Donnelly, Mrs. Edward Kerwin, Mrs. Martin Courtney, Mrs. William Thornton, Mrs. P. H. Donahoe, Mrs. Owen Donohoe, Mrs. James Donahoe, Mrs. Henry Maguire, Mrs. John J. Corbett, Mrs. John Mergnade, Mrs. J. W. McKennedy, Mrs. Daniel Rourke, Mrs. James J. McCarty, Mrs. Daniel J. Donahue, Mrs. Edward O'Connell, Mrs. John Sullivan, Mrs. T. A. Moloney, Mrs. Lizzie McGovern, Mrs. Walter Bagshaw, Mrs. J. J. O'Dwyer, Mrs. Catherine Fyne, Mrs. George Wilkins, Mrs. John Gill, Miss Kittie Short, Miss Jennie Maguire, Miss Margaret McDavitt, Miss Anna Webster, Miss Winifred Harrington, Miss Nellie McGovern, Miss Hannah Finton, Miss Lizzie Stowell, Miss Sadie McCarmac, Miss Bridget McCann, Miss Mary McQuade, Miss Mary Fyne, Miss Winifred Madden, Miss Mary Sullier, Miss Etto Freeman, Miss Rose Duff, Miss Mary O'Connell, Miss Alice Reagan, Miss Alice Kane, Miss Josie Shine, Miss Kittie Kivell, Miss Elizabeth Cassidy, Miss Mary Cassidy, Miss Margaret Reilly, Miss Fannie Donovan.

You've been before. Come again Saturday night, Mohairs' social, Odd Fellows' temple.

FLEUR DE LIS CLUB

BRILLIANT SOCIAL EVENT IN ASSOCIATE HALL.

The quarterly reunion of the Fleur de Lis Social club was held at Associate hall last evening and like the other parties conducted by this popular organization, it proved to be a grand success both from a social and a financial standpoint. There was a large gathering, including members and friends of the club.

Progressive whist and dancing were the attractions of the evening. In the early part of the evening whist was played, 25 tables being arranged around the floor, and for over an hour that popular game was enjoyed. This was followed by dancing, which continued until midnight.

The prize winners were announced by J. H. Guilette and were captured by the following: First, 35 points, Miss Marie Desilets, a jewel box, and Horace Desilets, an umbrella; second, 32 points, Miss Amanda Monette, a gold clock and Isidore Tetrault, a gold stick pin; third, 28 points, Mrs. Massicotte, a silk collarette and James Massicotte, a pack of cards. First booby prize was a box of Vital Force and was captured by Miss Marie Lanthier, and second was three doctors' prescriptions, one to be taken at breakfast, one after lunch and the third at dinner time: Miss Georgie Lambert was awarded the three clips of pipes.

Prior to the card playing the Middlesex orchestra rendered the following concert program:

March, "Under the American Eagle," ..... Ellis
Serenade, "My Moon Beam Maid,"... ..... Roberts
Caprice, "Moon Moths" .....Ellis
Medley, "Fleur de Lis".....Reyer
Galop, "Lovers' Flight" ..... Christie

This program was followed by other selections which were played at intervals while whist was in progress.

The officers of the party were: Honore L. P. Turcotte, president; Joseph Cartier, chairman; assisted by Leon Crepeau, Lucien T. L. Turcotte, Majorique Cossette and Donat Blazon.

The judges of the whist tournament were: Messrs. J. H. Guillet, A. A. Parent, Dr. A. Payette, J. C. Mauseau, A. Bergeron, Dr. L. A. Hurtubise and Joseph Harvey.

While the games were being played the following members of the Fleur de Lis served in the capacity of scorers: Messrs. Donat Rousseau, Honore Allard, Leon Crepeau, Albert Paquin, Alfred Parent, Homer Gill, Joseph Provast, under the personal direction of President Honore L. P. Turcotte.

Mr. Thomas Goyette was master of ceremonies.

Messrs. Louis and Charles Morrette presided over the check room.

LANDLORDS.

If you have a tenement idle that rents for $15 a month, you are losing 50 cents a day every day it is vacant. A little ad. in The Sun "To Let" column will rent your tenement in a very few days. Others have tried it with good results; why don't you try it?

AT WOMEN'S CLUB

Miss Devereaux at the Sociology Department

SPOKE INTERESTINGLY ON VACATION SCHOOLS

Miss Adelaide Baker Also Gave Address

The department of sociology of the Middlesex Women's club of which Mrs. George L. Hooper is president, provided an interesting program at the club yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Sara Snow Griffin was expected to read a paper on "The Evolution of Sociology" but was unable to be present.

In her place Miss Adelaide Baker gave a very interesting account of "The Social Studio of Bristol Ferry, R. I."

Bristol, the Pocanokot of the Indians was, she said, beautifully situated on a peninsula, extending into Narragansett bay on the south. The arm of the bay on the east side, towards Fall River is called Mount Hope bay. The great difference between these two bays, promptly designated as the highest land of Rhode Island, is Mount Hope, once the residence of King Philip.

This is the site of the Bristol Ferry Social Studio, which was built and is maintained by a philanthropic lady, who does not care to have her name appear. Its object is to encourage friendly, helpful social life in the neighborhood. Croquet grounds and tennis courts are laid out near the building, while within is a large room, with a platform at one end, and a fireplace on the side—a cheerful hall, so completely hung with pictures that it resembled an art gallery. Two large tables are covered with books and the latest and best magazines and a writing desk is supplied with stationery. Classes have been organized in pyrography, basketry, wood carving, painting and instruction in sewing is given to the girls of the neighborhood. Games of many kinds are provided and several evenings a week the Portuguese, who are quite numerous in this section, are taught the elementary branches. One evening a week those of mature age play whist upon the platform previously spoken of, while the young folks dance. Lectures and entertainments are given at intervals. All these privileges are free to all who will use and not abuse the favors offered. There are but two restrictions, neither smoking nor gambling is allowed. When whist is played no prizes are offered. The Social Studio has brought happiness and pleasure to the community where it is located, and it might well be duplicated in many rural districts.

VACATION SCHOOLS.

Miss Anna W. Devereaux, principal of the local kindergartens, spoke most interestingly on her experiences with vacation schools.

The local movement to provide summer pleasures for the little ones was begun in 1899 by the ladies of the Middlesex club. Two teachers and volunteer assistants worked for six weeks at the Mann school, and later, similar work was done at the Franklin and Lakeview avenue schools. One year the city council appropriated $1500 for vacation schools, but last year, they deemed it inexpedient to do so. Many children of parents of limited means are obliged to work so steadily that they really do not know how to play; if given a toy, they know not how to use it. They are not in need of industrial education, but they should be taught to play and to treat each other with consideration. When a certain local summer school was opened, about 10 large boys, between the ages of 10 and 14, took possession of the grounds on the first morning, before the teachers arrived. What to do with them was a problem, and Miss Devereaux proposed that they go to a school where industrial education was being taught. They looked disappointed, and she told them she needed helpers to prevent the small children from using the fence as a means of entrance and exit from the yard, and if they would help in other ways they might stay. The large boys were delighted and named themselves "The Fence Cops," and they were very faithful in the discharge of their duties.

One young fellow, who was quite a comedian, and was paid a nightly salary of $2.00 at a local theatre, was impolite to one of the teachers, and was denied the privilege of entering the yard. After remaining outside the fence for one day, he said to the teacher, "For the love of God, let me in." He was allowed to return and gave no further trouble. The effort was made to raise the standard of right and wrong. Sewing was introduced for the girls and basketry for the boys. All were delighted to carry home an article that was something of a luxury.

Miss Devereaux raised money by subscription to purchase dolls for the girls in her school, and solicited pieces of evening dresses from lady friends. She next asked each girl to write her favorite color. Having secured boxes, she deposited a doll and material for its wardrobe within and placed a parcel in each girl's desk. "And," said the speaker, "I wish you could have seen the faces when the boxes were opened." Each pupil was allowed to make the dresses as she desired, and forty of the sixty were fashioned in the height of the prevailing style.

Vacation schools are a great success, and through them the children obtain a glimpse of something they will never have, unless they get it at that age.

Tea was served by the hospitality committee, Mrs. Mary A. Plunkett, chairman.

MAN ARRESTED

Dynamite Found on the Steamer Majestic

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 12.—The customs officials this morning found 18 pounds of dynamite and 3,360 detonators in the possession of an Austrian emigrant on board the White Star line steamer Majestic which left New York Feb. 3 and arrived here yesterday.

The Austrian's trunk had a false bottom in which the dynamite was concealed. The man who gave the name of Ivan Sjiberuolo and who ostensibly was bound for Carlshad, was arrested and remanded until Feb. 20.

COLLIER BEACHED

Was Rammed by the Gunboat Concord

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—The mail steamer San Jose, just arrived from South American ports brought the information that the United States navy collier Nero had been rammed by the gunboat Concord in the harbor at Panama. The injuries sustained by the collier were so serious that she had to be beached. The Concord was not injured.

CHIEF YEGGMAN

Will be Tried in Suffolk County

SALEM, Mass., Feb. 12—Frank Hayden, the alleged leader of the gang of burglars who broke into the office of the National Pop Corn works in Lynn and who has been in jail here awaiting trial on that charge, was taken to Boston today on a writ of habeas corpus. He is wanted there on the charge of having been one of the gang who broke into the office of the Metropolitan Coal company in East Boston and assaulted the watchman.

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Any Kind—100 with a pound of Baking Powder, 40 with a pound of Tea, 20 with a pound of Coffee.

5 Stamps on Crockery, Glass and Spices.

In order to get this big quantity of Stamps, this Coupon must be presented at

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Men's $3.00 Rubber Boots	$2.25
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To Be Sold at a Fraction of Its Real Worth

Immediately after our great fire we notified manufacturers and importers to cancel all orders for future delivery, expecting of course they would readily do so. However, a few refused and insisted upon shipping at once. As a result we have today a few cases of Men's and Women's Underwear, Men's Madras Shirts, and five cases of White Mercerized Fabrics for shirt waists that are being offered today at Fire Sale Prices, which means a discount on the cost price. In a casual survey of our stocks yesterday we found the following extraordinary values:—

On the Underwear Counter

Ladies' All Wood Vests in natural or camel's hair (sizes 32 or 34 only), $1.25 and $1.50 quality.....Fire Price 59c per Garment

Ladies' Combination Suits, silk or wool, all wool or half wool, qualities that sold from $2.00 to $3.00 each.
Fire Prices 75c, $1.00 and $1.25 Each

Children's Combination Suits in heavy cotton, fleece lined, 50c quality,
Fire Price 29c per Garment

Children's Combination Suits, two-thirds wool, natural color, $1.00 quality .....Fire Price 50c per Garment

Children's Sleeping Robes in natural color, among which are the celebrated Dr. Dent's and silk fleece garments, 50c and 75c quality,
Fire Price 35c per Garment

On the Ribbon Counter

Thousands of yards of Satin Ribbon, 2 to 3 inches wide, in a wide range of colors and shades—in lengths ranging from 1 to 3 yards,
Fire Price 2c per Yard

Thousands of yards of Taffeta Ribbon, 3 inches wide, in a good range of colors .....Fire Price 5c per Yard

500 cartons of Wash Taffeta and Satin Ribbon, every color and shade you may desire, 4 inches wide, 25c quality,
Fire Price 15c per Yard

On the Toilet Counter

Colgate's Dental and Talcum Powder	12½c per Bottle
Mennen's Talcum Powder	12½c per Bottle
Comfort Powder	12½c per Bottle
Colgate's Toilet Soap	5c a Cake
Colgate's Perfumes, 50c quality	25c per Ounce
Rogers & Gallet Perfumes, 75c quality	60c per Ounce

Friday and Saturday will close the Second Week of the Fire Sale and we are going to make them Record Days in Value Giving—COME IN

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Style and Pattern is Not the Only Thing to Consider in Buying Fancy Shirts

To be sure, it is a most important essential, but the cloth is even more important, the make and fit still more. Style may sell a shirt, but good fit and wear bring the man back again when he needs new shirts—and that's what we are constantly striving for, not for temporary profit, but to so perfectly satisfy every customer as to make him a staunch friend.

SPECIAL THIS WEEK

150 dozen $1.50 Madras Shirts, detached cuffs, for..... 69c

There are fully 25 different combinations of colors in this lot of Shirts—all new designs.

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J. L. Chalifoux's, 47 to 59 Central St.

TONIGHT

THE GREAT NATICK TEAM vs. LOWELL

LOWELL—Geisinger, Tighe, Kane, Abbott, Allard, Matthews, Holleran, Cairns.
NATICK—W. and H. Sheridan, Marions, Punch, Lynch, Hayes, Falls.

ADMISSION 25 CENTS

AT LINCOLN CLUB

Anniversary Banquet and Speechmaking

REP. HAM'S PANEGYRIC ON LINCOLN

Solon W. Stevens' Early Experience

A fine menu and good speaking marked the annual dinner of the Lincoln club which was held last night in Odd Fellows' temple in Middlesex street. During the early part of the evening an orchestra discoursed pleasant music, after which a fine dinner was served in the banquet hall. After the menu was discussed the cigars were passed around and the chairs were pushed back while the assembly listened to panegyrics on Lincoln, the martyred president.

Horton H. Hilton, the president of the club, after thanking the members for the interest they had taken in the annual dinners and also the different meetings of the club, introduced Mr. Alonzo G. Walsh as toastmaster of the evening. Mr. Walsh after thanking the chair and the members of the club for the honor bestowed upon him, spoke in a patriotic vein of the life of Lincoln and in referring to the proclamation of emancipation said: "What he did was done in order to preserve the United States."

The speaker then introduced His Honor Mayor Howe who responded to the toast "Our City."

MAYOR HOWE.

In the course of his remarks the mayor said that the city of Lowell was in as good condition as any of her sister cities. That the city had had some disastrous fires but owing to the

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good fire department the city has been saved from heavy losses. He then went on to speak of the license bill which is now before the legislative committee. He thought it was wrong for the state to tax the cities for half the license fee and hoped that the senators and representatives of this community would defeat the bill if it reached the house. He closed by saying: "As Mayor Collins of Boston says, the cities are spending too much money and the state is spending too much money. In a little while we will not be able to raise money under the $12 tax rate to pay our debts. This will have to be stopped. We have got to practice economy. The revenue of every city in the commonwealth has been reduced and the expenses have been increased. This club should have a wide influence in taking this in hand and trying to better it in every way."

SOLON W. STEVENS.

The next speaker was Solon W. Stevens who responded to the toast "Abraham Lincoln." He spoke in part as follows: "We have met here tonight to celebrate the 95th anniversary of the most unique character in the last three-quarters of the 19th century." He told of the birth of great men in the year 1808 and said that the five greatest papers in the history of the world were the Magna Charter, the Compact in the Mayflower, the Declaration of Independence, the constitution of the United States and the emancipation proclamation of Abraham Lincoln. He said that Lincoln after all was the central figure.

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Continuing, he said: "I cast my first vote for Abraham Lincoln as president of the United States. In my college days I had the friendship and the intimate acquaintance of John Hay, who is now the secretary of state. When I learned that Lincoln had secured him as his private secretary I made up my mind to secure a good position at the inauguration, and when President Lincoln delivered his first inaugural address at Washington I stood within 15 or 20 feet of him."

The speaker then went on to tell that the people of the United States at that time were beginning to realize that the negroes in the south should not be sold as chattels, but should be free men according to the constitution of the United States. After touching upon the life and duties of President Lincoln the speaker said that Lincoln had stated that if slavery was not wrong then nothing was wrong. The speaker then described the inaugural address of Lincoln. After telling why the negroes should be free men the speaker said: "No anarchy has ever been bred in Uncle Tom's Cabin. It was a white man who assassinated Lincoln. It was a white man who struck down Garfield and it was a white man who shot down McKinley."

His speech was received with rousing cheers and he was tendered a rising vote of thanks.

HON. GUY A. HAM.

The next speaker was Hon. Guy A. Ham, a representative to the legislature from Boston. He responded to the toast, "Lincoln and the United States, the man and land of destiny." He spoke in part as follows:

Tonight I would call your attention to the subject "Lincoln and the United States, the man and land of destiny." When I use the term destiny I speak of it as a plan of divine Providence whereby there sprang out of an unknown family, under the most adverse circumstances, a man who was to prove the Savior of his people and whereby there was planted on this soil a nation that despite the most destructful war in the history of mankind, has contributed more to the progress of the world than any other nation in a similar period of time.

As we contemplate the life of Lincoln we stand amazed at the obstacles that were overcome and the success which crowned his efforts. That life represents the power that is produced under democratic forms of government and which contributes to the general welfare of the people.

It seems impossible to speak of the character of Lincoln in words of extravagant eulogy or exaggerated praise. Truthfulness and honesty were traits of character that predominated in his public and private life and when he was elected to public office courage to stand for what was right marked his entire career from the legislature to the presidential office:

No one realized better than Lincoln the responsibility that he must assume when he went to Washington. Just previous to his election he gave utterance to these words: "I know there is a God, and that he hates injustice and slavery. I see the storm coming and I know His hand is in it. If He has a place and work for me—and I think He has—I believe that I am ready. I am nothing, but truth is everything. I know that I am right because I know that liberty is right, for Christ teaches it and Christ is God. I have told them that a house divided against itself cannot stand and Christ and reason say the same. Douglas doesn't care whether slavery is voted up or down, but God cares, and humanity cares, and I care, and with God's help I shall not fail."

In the period of four months that elapsed between his election and inauguration he was obliged to remain powerless and in helpless anguish and watch the development of plans for the disruption of the government.

Upon him would fall the duty of saving the government which its enemies were engaged in destroying. Every hour new difficulties were added to the burden that he must finally assume. The north was stripped of its weapons of defence by the traitors in Buchanan's cabinet; the south was furnished with the supplies that would be needed in the event of a contest and state after state had announced their intention of secession. With what anguish he noted these developments is best described in his own language: "I have read upon my knees the story of Gethsemane, where the Son of God prayed in vain that the cup of bitterness might pass from him. I am in the Garden of Gethsemane now and my cup of bitterness is full to overflowing."

Lincoln and the United States, the Man and the Land of Destiny. The lives of each of them are linked inseparately together during the most dramatic period in our history. Through the inspiration of Lincoln's teachings the Union and the Constitution was saved and across that Constitution there was written in the blood of 400,000 souls an assurance that liberty and freedom should be granted to all.

In his Gettysburg address Lincoln had remarked: "The world will little note what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here." The world, however, can never forget the teachings of Abraham Lincoln. "He being dead yet speaketh." As the crucifixion and resurrection of the Christ was the triumph of immorality over death, so too that supreme sacrifice on the altar of the nation was the everlasting canonization of Lincoln in the hearts of the American people. And as that soul wended its flight upward to meet its God, of whom he had continually besought divine guidance, must it not have received that divine benediction, "Well done good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord."

THE OTHER SPEAKERS.

Ex-Senator Frost was the next speaker, and he was followed by Mr. Lawrence J. Cummings, who spoke on "Lincoln and the Newspaper Fraternity," telling in a brief manner what the newspapermen did in the life of the martyred president. Senator James H. McKinley was then introduced and in the course of his remarks partly in answer to Mayor Howe, said that he thought that the governor was wrong in regard to the license bill. He said that he was against the license bill and said that he did not think it would ever reach the general court.

The last speaker of the evening was Frank E. Dunbar, Esq., who was introduced by Toastmaster Walsh as "The man who is giving me a good deal of trouble at the present time."

THE WAR SITUATION IN THE FAR EAST

RUSSIA:—The Japanese Kovitch has given me a Blackeyeski

MATRIMONIAL

The marriage of Mr. Ernest Perron of this city and Mrs. Malvina Janson of Fall River, took place Wednesday at St. Anne's rectory, in that city, Rev. Fr. Dullaire of the Dominican order performing the ceremony. Mr. Prosper Cossette of Lowell was witness for the groom and the bride's witness was her brother, Mr. Ferdinand Guilet of New Bedford. After the ceremony the bridal party repaired to Boston where a wedding dinner was served at the Hotel Miennett. The party then came to Lowell where a reception was held at the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. Oliver Perron, Moody street.

The choir Rossini of which the groom is a member, was present at the reception and rendered several entertaining selections.

Mr. and Mrs. Perron will live at 46 Hamlet street, Fall River.

SHEDD—HINDLE.

The marriage of Harry L. Shedd, a well known resident of South Lowell, and Miss Maud Hindle of this city took place Wednesday evening at the bride's home, 72 South Whipple street.

The parlor where the nuptial rites were solemnized by Rev. N. W. Matthews of the Gorham street Primitive Methodist church, was beautifully decorated with rich and rare exotics. Preceding the wedding ceremony, and as the bridal cortege approached the parlor to plight their nuptial vows the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march were heard, Miss Maud Barber presiding at the piano. A large number of guests were present from Lowell, Boston and Medford. A delectable wedding collation was served and an entertainment of varied character added to the pleasures of what proved a joyous evening. A profusion of costly wedding gifts were presented to the happy couple. Mr. and Mrs. Shedd took the 9.30 p. m. train on their bridal journey and on their return will reside at 275 Talbot street, South Lowell.

ENO—FLINT.

Mr. Odavus A. Eno of 72 C street and Miss Ella G. Flint of 210 Shaw street were united in marriage on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 4.30 p. m. by Rev. George F. Kenngott at his residence, 296 Liberty street.

LURVEY—DURGIN.

A pretty wedding took place Tuesday evening in Dracut when Ray Lurvey and Miss Gladys Durgin were married at the home of the bride's parents in Stone street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. I. Kelley, pastor of the Centre Congregational church. Mr. and Mrs. Lurvey received many beautiful and substantial wedding gifts. They will live in Dracut.

Refreshments free, Mohairs' dance, Odd Fellows' temple, Saturday night.

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Seven of the Democratic Presidential Possibilities

GROVER CLEVELAND has never been particularly free in talking of his plans, and just now he has the politicians guessing as to whether or not he is really a candidate for president. He was three times the nominee, he and Mr. Bryan having been the only Democratic candidates in twenty years. Mr. Cleveland is sixty-six years of age and lives in New Jersey, the state in which he was born. Though he received only an academic education, he is now a lecturer at Princeton. He is the only living ex-president of the United States.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN is the exact antithesis of Mr. Cleveland, not only in his views, but in personal characteristics. He is as quick as Cleveland is deliberate, as open as Cleveland is reserved, as witty and brilliant as Cleveland is serious and phlegmatic. The two men only resemble in both having inordinate wills and in both having been supreme leaders of their party. Mr. Bryan is not yet forty-four years old and lives farther west than any of the group of possible Democratic presidential nominees.

ARTHUR PUE GORMAN has been mentioned for the presidency for a score of years, yet has never received more than a few scattering votes in a national convention. He began public life as a page in the United States senate, the body in which afterward he was to play an important part. He was born in Maryland in 1839 and has been almost constantly in public life since thirteen years of age. He is quiet in demeanor, but a master tactician. Like Mr. Cleveland, he talks little of his intentions.

ALTON BROOKS PARKER is chief justice of the New York court of appeals and the only New York Democrat that has led a state ticket to victory in ten years. His residence is at Esopus, N. Y. He was born in 1852. Judge Parker declined the position of first assistant postmaster general, afterward held by Adlai E. Stevenson. He has been delegate to state and national conventions and was at one time chairman of the Democratic state executive committee. He has been on the bench for nearly twenty years.

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST is the youngest of the presidential candidates, having been born in California in 1863. He is the son of United States Senator George F. Hearst and of Phebe Hearst, noted for her benefactions to educational and charitable institutions. William R. Hearst is best known as proprietor of the New York Journal, the Chicago American and the San Francisco Examiner. He is at present serving his first term in congress. He is also president of the National League of Democratic Clubs.

RICHARD OLNEY is sixty-eight, the exact age of the oldest president, William Henry Harrison, at the time of inauguration. Mr. Olney had held only one public office—member of the Massachusetts legislature—before being made Mr. Cleveland's attorney general, from which place he was afterward promoted to the state portfolio. He is a distinguished lawyer, holding the degree of LL. D. from Harvard, Brown and Yale. He is the farthest east of the list, being regarded as the New England candidate. His home is in Boston.

FRANCIS MARION COCKRELL is one year older than Mr. Olney, having been born in Missouri in 1834. He was a Confederate brigadier general during the civil war and held various important offices before being elected to the United States senate, in which body he has served for nearly thirty consecutive years. One of his great sources of popularity is that he writes personal answers to nearly every letter he receives and is acquainted with almost every Democratic voter and every Democratic voter's wife in the state of Missouri.

The Men Who Control the Situation In the Far East

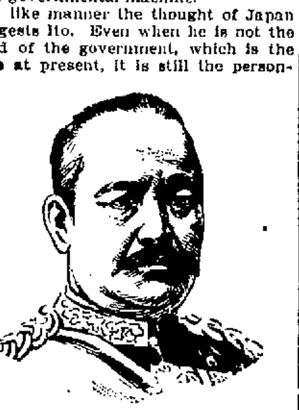
IN olden days certain men or women, as the case might be, were referred to as the power behind the throne. In modern times this power has emerged from the shadow and is now in front of the throne. In other words, the people and their representatives have increased, while monarchs have decreased. However marked the individuality of the king and however unlimited his theoretical power, government has become such a complicated affair that he must depend upon others to look after the details and to advise him as to the conditions and requirements of the various departments. It is impossible for him to meet the people directly or to be in personal touch with all the parts of a vast empire. It is not difficult for his trusted ministers to warp his mind, to influence him by advice and to gain larger and larger concessions of power on the plea of saving him from the annoyance of details and in the thousand and one other ways that can be found by the clever man trained in the arts of statecraft and diplomacy. Not many of the hereditary monarchs possess particular

MARQUIS YAMAGATA.

intellectual acumen or great force of character. But the ministers who rise from the ranks must have these qualities in a supreme degree. They are subject to the law of intellectual competition—which, by the way, is quite the fiercest sort of competition—from which he is shielded because of his birth. Thus does it so often happen that the ministers are the real government, while the king is only the symbol; they keen, alert, ambitious; he indulgent, easily swayed and inefficient. The European cabinet officer is the nominal servant, but the real master, of his king.

While the emperors of Russia and Japan are neither of them so completely overshadowed by their supposed secretaries as are some of their royal cousins in other lands, they have not entirely escaped from the eclipse into which monarchy is being cast by the ever growing figure of democracy. When we think of the government of Russia we see the czar, of course, the amiable and almost timid czar in the person of Nicholas, but we also see the cabinet, a palpable, forceful thing. Here is the real Russia, flesh of its flesh and blood of its blood, relentless, even brutal, but always powerful and always for aggrandizement, the very genius of things Muscovite expressed in a governmental machine.

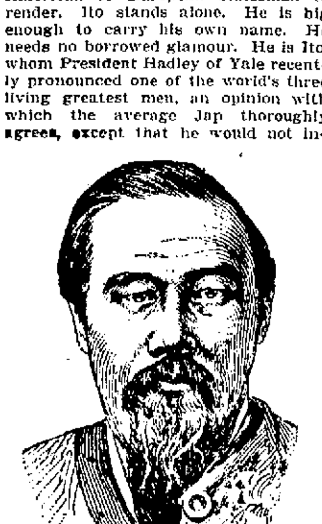
In like manner the thought of Japan suggests Ito. Even when he is not the head of the government, which is the case at present, it is still the person-



COUNT KATSURA.

ality of Ito that symbolizes to the western mind the modern, progressive island empire. We are coming to understand that the mikado is a force and in no little degree directs the course of his government. But when historians are looking for the man that is emblematic of the era of the awakening of Japan they will see not Mutsuhito, who ruled by the alleged divine right of birth, but Marquis Ito, who ruled by the real divine right of genius.

Those writers who delight in comparisons and who really detract from the character of their subject by bringing him into too close proximity with some other overshadowing personality have dubbed Ito "the Gladstone of Japan" or "the Bismarck of Japan." He is neither. He is of a type to himself. There is no statesman in the western world like him. He did for Japan a service that in the very nature of the case could have no parallel on this side of the earth and a greater service so far as the destiny of his people is concerned than it would be possible for an American or European statesman to render. Ito stands alone. He is big enough to carry his own name. He needs no borrowed glamour. He is Ito, whom President Hadley of Yale recently pronounced one of the world's three living greatest men, an opinion with which the average Jap thoroughly agrees, except that he would not in-



MARQUIS ITO.

clude the other two. In the peace negotiations between China and Japan he showed himself a greater man than Li Hung Chang at every point of the diplomatic game. It was the interference of the European powers that forced Ito to give up the Liautong peninsula. Against their combined force even his adroitness was powerless, and he was driven to a concession which finally undermined his influence in Japan and eventuated in his retiring from office in 1901.

Hirobumi Ito when a young man belonged to the Samurai, from the lower grades of which he sprang. At first he bitterly opposed the western innovations even then beginning to make head in the country. So violent was the opposition of an order of young men to which he belonged that he, with others, was under the ban of the government. It was then that he determined to leave the country, which he did by shipping on an English vessel, upon which he was forced to work as a common sailor. He arrived in London with scarcely a dollar, but was never in actual want, as sometimes has been represented. It was his residence in London which revolutionized his ideas and sent him home a convert to western ideas. He was still the conservative in action, however, and it was this conservatism, connected with his prac-

GENERAL TERAUCHI

tical knowledge of the west and its customs, that made him the power he afterward became in the government of his country. He wrote the constitution and in reality is the creator of the new Japan.

Personally he is kindly and shrewd, gentle and persuasive, diplomatic and tactful, yet possessing a mastery of men and affairs such as marks the man born to rule. He is about sixty-four years of age, of medium stature, with high forehead and a face seamed and marked by a life of intense thought and action. Though a private citizen, he must still be reckoned as foremost among those that direct the course of affairs in Japan.

There is one other man not directly connected with the government who has great influence in Japanese affairs. He is the first soldier of the empire, the hero of the war with China, field marshal and commander in chief of the Japanese armies, Marquis Yoritomo Yamagata. He is probably the most popular man in the empire, has frequently been minister of war and premier, is one of the most trusted advisers of the emperor and has participated with distinction in at least three wars. He first served in the army when a boy of twenty, distinguishing himself by leading 2,000 men against 20,000 and repulsing an attack on his native province. He was second in command in the war of restoration and the next year was made premier. In the more recent war with China he was in command at the battle of Ping-yang, the decisive land engagement of that struggle.

Marquis Yamagata has been in America several times. The first visit was in 1869, when he spent a year and a half on this continent and in Europe in a study of western civilization. The last time he was on his way as the envoy of the mikado to the coronation of the czar and received distinguished attentions in the chief American and European cities.

General Yamagata is a very quiet man, small and kindly in appearance. He is really the creator of the Japanese army, which he has brought to its present high state of efficiency. He is about the same age as Marquis Ito and, like that great statesman, was of humble birth.

The Japanese cabinet is composed of the following: Premier and minister of the interior, General Count Taro Katsura; foreign affairs, Baron Jutaro Komura; war, General Masatake Terauchi; marine, Admiral Baron Gombei Yamamoto; agriculture and commerce, Baron Keigo Kiyoura; finance, Baron Arasuke Sone; justice, Keichoku Hatano; communications, Kanetake Oura; education, Yuzuru Kubota.

Count Taro Katsura, the premier and minister of the interior, is one of the field marshals of the army and distinguished himself in the war with China, when he was in command of the Third division. He was educated in the German military schools and entered the Japanese army in 1862. He participated in the war of restoration, after which for a number of years he was military attache of the Japanese embassy at Berlin. From 1886 to 1891 he was vice minister of war, in which position he was instrumental in achieving a number of governmental reforms. He has been a member of the cabinet in one capacity or another since 1898 and premier since September, 1901.

Baron Jutaro Komura, minister of foreign affairs, who sent the recent Japanese ultimatum to Russia, was educated in America, having graduated from the law department of Harvard in 1877. He then took postgraduate work for a year, after which he entered the law office of ex-Attorney General Davenport in New York city. There he studied international law for a year, then went to Rochester for another year's study in the office of ex-Commissioner Smith of the United States court of claims. After further study in Europe he returned to Japan, where he entered the department of judiciary, from which in three years he went to the diplomatic service. He was secretary of legation at Peking until called home by the war with China. He organized the civil government in Manchuria and afterward was minister resident to Korea. His most important post, however, prior to that which he is now holding was that of minister to the United States at the time of the Spanish-American war. Baron Komura is about fifty-one years of age.

General Masatake Terauchi, Japanese minister of war, studied in the German universities forty years ago. He entered the army upon his return to Japan, in which he served in various

ADMIRAL ALEXEIEFF.

minor capacities until a short time before the war with China, when he was made a member of the board of strategy of the army, in which capacity he served throughout that conflict. He was made minister of war in September, 1901. General Terauchi, who is about fifty-eight years of age, is known as an able tactician.

Rear Admiral Baron Gombei Yamamoto, minister of marine, has also distinguished himself as a strategist rather than in active service. He comes from the Satsuma clan, as do so many of the other Japanese leaders of the present day. He was educated in [illegible]land and was military attache [illegible] Berlin embassy about twenty-tw[illegible] ago. He was vice head of the naval board of strategy during the war with China. Prior to that time he was a colonel in the navy. He is very popular and a comparatively young man, being about fifty-two.

Another important naval man for Japan is Yuko Ito, "the little Ito," the admiral who commanded at the Yalu fight and at Port Arthur.

Russia has no statesman of overshadowing fame like Ito and no great national military hero like Yamagata, yet few European nations are served by more able ministers. In the current crisis, however, the man of the hour is not in the cabinet, but is the viceroy of the far east, the personal representative of the czar, the ruler of Siberia and commander of her land and sea forces, Admiral Alexeieff. Russia contains few greater fighters than he, yet most of his victories have been victories of peace. Twice he has practically averted war, once when he held in check the bluff old sea fighter, Admiral Tyrtoff, present minister of marine, and prevented him from attacking the Japanese fleet at Port Arthur

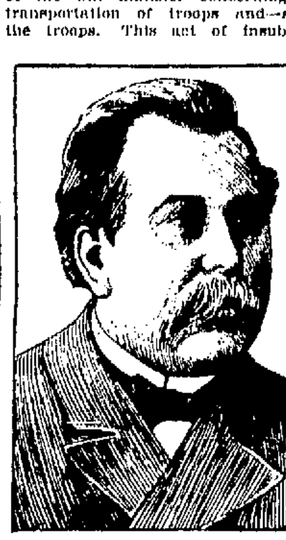
COUNT LAMSDORFF.

until the war cloud blew over, and again he did signal service for the cause of peace when he refused to attack a drunken English officer who ordered an Indian regiment to tear down the Russian flag and seize a section of the Tientsin railway.

Strangely enough, Admiral Alexeieff got his start in America. He was in San Francisco when word came that war between Russia and England was only a matter of hours. It was then that he bought eight commerce destroyers to scour the Atlantic ocean and did it with such expedition that he was made a naval captain and soon after an admiral. Afterward he became aide-de-camp general to the czar. It was about three years ago that he was made viceroy in the east. He captured the Taku forts, relieved Tientsin and rescued Admiral Seymour. He is bluff and hearty, a man of good sense and universally popular.

The Russian cabinet proper is made up as follows: Premier, M. de Witte; foreign affairs, Count Lamsdorff; finance, M. Pleske; interior, M. de Plehve; war, General Kuropatkin; marine, Vice Admiral Tyrtoff; justice, M. Muravieff; public instruction, M. Senger; public works, M. Khilkoff; agriculture, M. Yermaloff.

For years M. Sergius de Witte was regarded as the most powerful man in Russia. He still is the head of the cabinet, but no longer is finance minister, the post in which he gained his fame. His father was of German origin and belonged to the lower middle class. Young De Witte began life as assistant station master at an obscure railroad station. It was here that he when temporarily in charge disobeyed an order of the war minister concerning the transportation of troops and—saved the troops. This act of insubordi-



M. DE PLEHVE.

nation, which might have sent him to Siberia, really started him toward the head of the cabinet. From this humble start his rise was rapid, though stormy. He instituted reforms and became one of the great finance ministers of Europe.

Count Lamsdorff, like De Witte, is of German origin, but his family is as noble as that of the premier is lowly. For thirty years Lamsdorff has been in the foreign office and finally went to its head. He is probably in this crisis the most powerful man in the cabinet. He is very old and is said not to be a success socially in spite of his high family connections, but he knows the game of diplomacy. His labors in behalf of peace are historic.

M. de Plehve, the minister of the interior, is the man especially hated by the nihilists. He is spoken of in even St. Petersburg as a reactionary. It was charged that he was instrumental in inciting the Kishineff massacre. He is the head of the Russian police system, and those who hate him say he is the most merciless and the most powerful man in the empire. He is a Finn, yet has relentlessly pursued the Finns. He is somber, stolid and laborious, is past sixty-five and has been in the service of the state forty years.

General Alexei Kuropatkin served in campaigns for over thirty years, though now but a few years past fifty. He was in Algeria and saw hard fighting. He

GENERAL KUROPATKIN.

was chief of staff to the famous General Skobeloff in the Russo-Turkish war. Then he went to central Asia, where his career reads like a romance. Forced marches and fierce fighting with half savage tribes would fill its every page. It was here that he became the stern war lord. He is always and everywhere the soldier and one of the world's best writers on military subjects. He was appointed minister of war in 1898.

It was Admiral Tyrtoff, the Russian naval minister, who keenly thirsted to whip the Japs some years ago. The fleets were facing each other, and the old sea fighter was only waiting for final word from St. Petersburg. At last it came, a three word message reading, "Go with God." Tyrtoff was for going just then, but Admiral Alexeieff was the supreme power in the east and believed there was still some possibility of peace. He commanded that no movement be made until the morrow, and then came word from St. Petersburg that the threatened war was off. Tyrtoff was off also, for he wired to the home office, "Go with God yourself." Alexeieff afterward jokingly remarked that it was well the telegraph did not carry the tone of voice in which the message was dictated.

J. A. EDGERTON.

HOW ONE FORTUNE WAS MADE.

In the South African diamond mines the rough gems had until recently to be separated from the hard earth and other mineral substances by hand. The whole mass was dried and softened in the air and then shoveled into washing machines, where the soluble earth was removed. Among the employees in the sorting room was a young boy who one day noticed a diamond and a garnet, both in the rough, on the end of a small board. He tilted the board, and the garnet rolled off, but the diamond stuck fast. Looking more closely, he saw that the board was greasy. This gave him an idea. He got a larger board and tried several kinds of minerals. Invariably the other stones rolled off with a shake or two, while even a thin coating of grease kept all the diamonds in their places. Then this widewake boy went to work and invented a machine that is now successfully doing the work of diamond picking for all the South African mines, and, needless to say, the young inventor has made an independent fortune just because he kept his eyes open and his wits about him that day when he first noticed the difference in the "sticking qualities" of the gems.

WHERE A NAME COUNTED.

William Tell's existence is still firmly believed in even in these modern, skeptical days by the dwellers on the borders of the lake of Lucerne. They point to the Tell chapel in the "narrow way" at Kussnacht, where Tell shot the tyrant Gessler, and the sister building by the lake side at Tell's Platte, where the popular hero escaped from the Austrians' power, as proof of the reality of the Swiss patriot, and a comical sign of their belief was lately given to some tourists. A party was crossing from Brunnen to visit Grutli, where the Swiss swore to free their country, when one of the passengers addressed a companion as Baron von Gessler. The boatman who was rowing stopped, horror stricken, and cried out, "I would not have a Gessler in my boat for a hundred francs!" So he brought the boat round, rowed back to Brunnen and turned out Herr Gessler and his party in spite of all their protests.

A HABITANT'S LETTER.

This letter was written by a French Canadian to a bicycle firm in Montreal:

mister T. J. Jones and compance, Notre Dame street, Montreal, P. Q.:

Dear Sir: I recev de bicykel witch I buy from you alrite but for why you dont send me no suddel, what is de use of de bicykel when She don't have no suddel. I am loose to me my kustomer sure ting by no having de suddel and dats not very pleasure for Me. wat is de matter wit you mister jones and compance. is not my moneys so good like annoder mans. you loose to me my trade and I am vereo anger for dat an now I tells to you dat you are fools an no good mister T. J. Jones and compance. I send to you back at wunce your bicykel tomorro for shure bekawse you are such afoolishness peoples. yours respectfuller,

J. P. ST. DENIS.

P. S.—since i rite dis letter i find de saddel in de box. excuse to me.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	To Boston. Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	From Boston. Arr.
5.48	6.30	6.00	7.04
6.21	7.40	6.30	7.26
a6.39	7.50	7.55	8.55
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e7.01	8.02	e9.00	9.57
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11.20	12.03	2.00	3.01
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es1.56	2.39	e5.16	6.07
a3.03	4.20	5.38	6.28
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4.25	5.30	6.14	7.30
es5.22	6.15	e7.40	8.08
a5.44	7.00	e8.30	9.05
e6.22	7.05	10.30	11.34
es7.29	8.10	11.20	12.22

SUNDAY TRAINS

e6.39	7.30	9.00	10.00
s7.24	8.10	1.00	1.57
8.45	9.49	5.00	5.58
s9.20	10.15	e7.30	8.08
e4.25	5.30	e8.30	9.05
s5.58	7.00	9.00	10.02

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	To Boston. Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	From Boston. Arr.
6.50	8.00	7.30	8.34
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.33
9.25	10.39	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.08
12.05	1.32	2.15	3.19
12.45	1.57	3.36	4.55
2.30	3.35	4.59	5.55
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SUNDAY TRAINS

8.15	9.27	8.00	9.17
12.05	1.24	12.00	1.03
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8.00	9.05		

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BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Dr. L. L. Mial of this city played two games in the national amateur billiard championship tournament yesterday afternoon and evening, and won both. In the afternoon he defeated Arthur Marcott, the Canadian champion, 300 to 229 and last night he outplayed Charles F. Conklin of Chicago, 300 to 267.

MARDI GRAS CARNIVAL.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 12—The Mardi Gras carnival opened last night with the parade of the Knights of Momus, who represented visions of the world's vanity. It was one of the handsomest displays witnessed here. The city was brilliantly illuminated and already contains one of the greatest crowds in its history.

JIM PARR DEFEATED

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., Feb. 12.—Jim Parr, the English champion wrestler, was defeated last night by Landin. Landin won the first fall in 25 minutes, 20 seconds, the third and deciding fall in 11 minutes, 30 seconds. Parr got the second fall in 37 minutes, 30 seconds.

EDISON'S BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The American Institute of Electrical Engineers celebrated the birthday of Thomas A. Edison and the 25th anniversary of the successful introduction and development of the incandescent lamp at the annual dinner last night in the Waldorf Astoria. Thomas A. Edison was the guest of honor and about 700 members and guests of the institute were present.

T. Comerford Martin acted as toastmaster. He introduced Mr. Edison, reciting the achievements of the "wizard".

Mr. Edison, in accordance with his invariable rule, declined to speak, but telegraphed his response, A. B. Chandler, president of the Postal Telegraph company, "reciting".

It was also transmitted by the Marconi system across the hall. The response was then read to the assembled company.

Congratulatory messages were received from President Roosevelt and Signor Marconi, while eminent electricians and other sent greetings.

INSANE TEACHER

Killed Her Mother and Herself

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 12.—Miss Hulda Nelson, school teacher of Fort Dodge, Iowa, in a moment of insanity, brained her mother with a hatchet while the mother was sleeping and then jumped into a cistern, drowning herself. The young woman tied three flat irons about her neck before she leaped into the cistern.

HARMON ROBBED

BOSTON MAN ATTACKED BY TWO THUGS.

BOSTON, Feb. 12—Horace M. Harmon, a Portland street restaurant proprietor, was knocked down on the street last night by two men and robbed of $1059. Harmon yesterday sold his restaurant at 20 Portland street and soon after he left the place last night he was followed by two men. One of them struck him on top of the head, smashing his hat over his eyes and dazing him. Harmon fell to the ground and before he could rise his assailant ripped open his clothing and took a wallet containing the money from an inside pocket. By the time Harmon rose to his feet the robbers were out of sight.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

"The Social Whirl" was the attraction at the Academy of Music yesterday afternoon and evening and good sized audiences attended the different performances. The piece is without doubt one of the strongest comedies on the stage today and is a sure cure for the blues. If people do not wish to laugh they had better stay away from the theatre during the remainder of the week, but those who wish to see a roaring, side-splitting comedy full of perplexible situations they had better join in the line to the box office and purchase their tickets for one of the performances. The company is sure to please you, for it is strong and well balanced, each member of the cast having his part well in hand.

The leading part is taken by Edward R. Street, who portrays Dick Wilson, the young man who robbed his rich uncle of a bride, and who is in a barrel of trouble until he finally owns up the mean trick he played. The part of Cora, Dick's wife, is taken by Miss Agnes Parson, who is put on to the game played by her husband and her perplexity in the carrying on of her husband makes her part a highly amusing one.

Carl Cunnigham, who plays the part of Obadiah Dawson, Dick's uncle, throws out comedy every minute he is on the stage, his rough manner and sympathy for his nephew, who, he thinks, married an old woman, convulsing the audience with laughter. James Coveney makes a fine Thomas Coleman. By the way of no harm Thomas married for money and as usual got an old fogy of a woman who made life miserable for him, and despite the fact that she had plenty of the worldly goods, Tom was not so fortunate as to receive as much as he would like.

The other characters in the comedy are played by efficient players.

The scene in the first act is at Tom's country home at Nahant, Mass., where poor henpecked Tom is getting all and more than is coming to him from his aged wife. Dick's uncle turns up and as Dick married the girl his uncle wished to wed and the latter knew nothing of it, there was a little excitement when the old man blew in from Japan. By lies and different forms of strategy Dick succeeds in keeping his uncle from seeing his wife, but his troubles increase and misery after misery turns up until Dick, sick of the game he is playing, owns up that he married Cora, and the matter is ironed out to the satisfaction of everyone.

For specialties Miss Alice Thornton appeared under the title of champion buck and wing dancer of the United States, without competition. She did a remarkable whirligig with her pedal extremities. Cunningham and Coveney incarnated the latest comedy in their sketch. They "came with all the London style of Coster characters and pastimes," and jokes from across the water were dropped over the lights. Hall and Parsons, the latter an accomplished singer, entertained musically and with dancing.

Matinees today and tomorrow; also evening performances.

THE CASTO THEATRE

Tomorrow is Children's Day at the Casto theatre, and those intending to visit the theatre should order seats at once, to avoid the rush. The race between horse and man will please and electrify the young folks just as much as it does their elders, for it is the most exciting event ever placed on the local stage, and it will probably be the only time that the school children will have the opportunity of witnessing an event of this kind. The spectacle of a horse running at topmost speed and a bicyclist pedalling at record-breaking time, is a sight all want to see. Harper, Desmond and Bailey will especially please the youngsters, and Paul Barnes with his merry stories will be a favorite. The Four American Trumpeters in their military musical act, will score a hit, as the young ladies are very attractive and are excellent musicians. The remainder of the program is exceptionally well balanced. Green Trading Stamps are given free with orchestra tickets.

BOWLING NEWS.

The Highland club bowling team found the Zophers an easy proposition last night and in a game on the Highland club alleys the team representing the club defeated their opponents by a score of 1218 to 1137. E. Libby and Wing did the heavy rolling for the victorious team, while Lee carried off the honors for his team. The score:

HIGHLANDS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
E. Libby	83	92	89	264
Ranels	87	81	83	251
Wing	91	99	70	263
Lazelle	85	68	91	244
Stevens	56	70	72	198
Total	400	412	405	1,218

ZOPHERS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
Zopher	89	68	75	232
Sheclosme	85	64	72	221
Osterhout	82	81	71	234
Lee	81	87	68	236
McKenzie	80	64	87	231
Total	400	369	368	1137

ORIENTS VICTORIOUS.

The Orients defeated the Ramblers in the Recreation bowling league contest in Les Miserables alleys last night by a score of 1209 to 1196. Kelley was high single and high total man for the Orients and Simpson who was high total man for the Ramblers was tied with Rigby in high singles. The score:

ORIENTS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
Kelley	85	89	90	264
Kerrigan	69	83	73	225
Lagan	76	77	88	241
Galvin	74	77	86	237
Slavin	71	89	82	242
Total	375	415	419	1209

RAMBLERS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
Marsden	86	84	71	241
Simpson	83	87	90	260
Rigby	71	90	84	245
McGrall	75	75	75	225
O'Brien	75	75	75	225
Total	391	405	398	1196

It is more profitable to advertise honorably and fail in the attempt to get business, than to advertise dishonorably and succeed for a little while.

SENATOR HANNA

Said to be in a Precarious Condition

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Senator Hanna's condition is very serious, if not precarious. His physicians realize this and are watching the case with the greatest concern. The senator was considerably weaker yesterday and as a result his pulse had run up at 6 o'clock to 104 pulsations to the minute. The increased weakness is the direct result of the fever, as the official bulletin shows that there are no complications. The physicians hope that the fever has reached its worst stage, but whether or not it has they declare they are unable to say. They are simply waiting for developments and realize the patient has lost ground the last two days. Stimulants had been given the senator during the day and with beneficial results. He rested well during the afternoon and retained the nourishment given him during the past 24 hours. This latter feature of the case is encouraging to the physicians. Extraordinary precautions are being taken to insure quiet in and around the hotel so that the senator may get all the natural sleep possible. The motormen of the street cars almost a block away have been requested not to ring their gongs, as their sudden clanging seemed to irritate the senator.

After the evening visit of the physicians Senator Hanna slept for about an hour and a half which considerably refreshed him. Dr. Carter remains at the hotel all the time, so as to be on hand in case there is a call for him.

The following bulletin on Senator Hanna's condition was issued last night:

"At 8 p. m. Senator Hanna was resting quietly. His temperature when taken at 6 o'clock was 102 2-10; pulse, 104; respiration 28. There has been no change in his general condition since the morning bulletin was issued. He retains all the nourishment given him for the past 24 hours. There are no complications.

(Signed) "RIXEY.
"CARTER."

LENTEN REGULATIONS

RULES FOR FASTING AND ABSTINENCE DURING LENT.

Following is a copy of the Lenten regulations forwarded to all the Roman Catholic pastors of Lowell to be read at the different churches of that denomination at all of the masses Sunday next:

All the days of Lent are fast days of obligation.

The following dispensations are granted for this diocese by the authority of the Holy See:

Then se of flesh meat is allowed during Lent, once a day, on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturdays, the second and last Saturdays excepted.

Lard and fat rendered from any kind of meat may be used in preparing permitted food.

A small quantity of bread, about two ounces, together with a cup of tea, coffee or chocolate, is permitted in the morning.

A collation, not exceeding the fourth part of an ordinary meal, or about eight ounces, is allowed in the evening.

The use of eggs, butter, cheese and milk is permitted in the evening collation, and also at the principal meal on the days on which the use of flesh meat is forbidden.

The principal meal may be taken in the evening and the collation in the morning, should circumstances so require.

The use of flesh meat and fish at the same meal is not allowed even on Sundays.

On Sundays there is neither fasting nor abstinence.

Persons exempt from fasting are permitted to use flesh meat more than once on days on which the use of flesh meat is allowed.

The following persons are exempt from fasting, but not from abstinence:

All under 21 years of age and those of advanced age.

The sick and those that cannot fast without great injury to their health.

Women during pregnancy or while nursing infants.

All those whose duties are of a very laborious of exhausting nature.

By virtue of the Indult of the Holy See of March 15, 1895 working people and their families are allowed the use of flesh meat once a day in this diocese on all days of the year except Fridays, Ash Wednesday, the Wednesday and Saturday of holy week and the vigil of Christmas. Those who avail themselves of this dispensation are exhorted to perform some other act of mortification, such as abstining from intoxicating drinks, etc.

The time for fulfilling the Easter precept of holy communion extends from the first Sunday in Lent, Feb. 21, to Trinity Sunday, May 29.

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Stock of Women's Goods were put on sale yesterday morning. The selling has been quite satisfactory; but some good things are still left. The lots, however, are too small to classify in this ad., but they are in the store and combined with the following good things should make today and tomorrow busy days.

LUCK

THE NEW BREAKFAST FOOD

NO COOKING. READY TO SERVE

A flaky crisp cereal made from CALIFORNIA WHITE WHEAT. Every kernel is brushed and washed by electric machinery. It is cooked in electric ovens. When thoroughly done it falls into sterilized moisture-proof packages.

Human hands have never touched it. It is as pure and clean as human ingenuity can make it.

Children like it. Older people like it. It agrees with everyone. It gives health and happiness. It is the long sought "LUCK" that brings the sunshine of perfect digestion. We have full control of this excellent "cereal" in Lowell. To thoroughly introduce it we make the following offer:

2 Packages for 25 Cents

And with every 25c purchase $2.00 worth of S. & H. Green Trading Stamps free.

Once try it and you'll always buy it.

SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION in our basement, where we serve this dainty food with pure cream and sugar.

4 PHOTOGRAPHS FOR 50c

These photos are made in book form on fine embossed cardboard. The size is 4½x3 inches. The cover is linen finish. The work finely executed. All-in-all it is a very unusual offering.

Take elevator, photograph studio, 5th floor.

ADVANCE SHOWING OF Queen Quality OXFORDS

We made arrangements to have our "oxfords" come in early, consequently they are here ready for your inspection.

The line is very large and includes many new patterns in Patent Kid, Vici Kid and Russia Calf.

Gibson ties and slightly narrower toes prevail, although the broad Mannish patterns are still in evidence. We cordially invite your inspection, and will be glad to hear your criticism concerning them.

The Price is $2.50 and $3 a Pair

SNAPPY NEWS FROM THE

WAIST SECTION

AT 25c—Colored Lawns and Percales, worth 50c.

AT 49c—White Madras, Plain Batiste, Striped Lawns and Ginghams, worth from $1.00 to $1.25.

AT 79c—White Cheviots, White Piques and Colored Cheviots, worth from $1.39 to $2.00.

AT 98c—White Dotted Piques, Plain Cheviots, Striped Madras and Fleece Lined Cheviots, also Wool Flannel Waists, worth from $2.00 to $3.00.

AT $1.49—All kinds and styles, Cheviots, Madras and Fancy Vestings, worth from $3.00 to $5.00.

FOUR STRONG ITEMS FROM THE

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32 IN. MADRAS, 12½c YARD—Handsome patterns, short lengths of 25c goods.

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INFANTS' HOSE, 15c PAIR—Ribbed Cashmere, silk heel and toe; white, blue and black; always 25c pair.

WOMEN'S HOSE, 10c PAIR—Fleeced lined and heavy cotton; some have white feet; always 12½c pair.

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JERSEY RIBBED SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, 28c Fleece lined. Drawers double seated; regularly 39c grade.

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52 IN. MOHAIR, 59c YARD—Two shades of blue, also grey and black. Regularly 79c yard.

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25c WOMEN'S GOLF GLOVES

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2 BARGAINS IN MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

WOMEN'S DRAWERS, WORTH 25c, NOW 19c—5-inch ruffle, trimmed with five rows of fine tucks, hemstitched edge.

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ANOTHER BATTLE AT PORT ARTHUR

Little is Left There of the Russian Fleet

A Russian Bank Reported Burned--Various Accounts of the First Battle and How the Russians Were Entrapped—Japanese Losses are Also Heavy

LONDON, FEB. 12.—REPORTS FROM THE SCENE OF WAR IN THE FAR EAST INDICATE THAT JAPAN IS FOLLOWING UP THE ADVANTAGE GAINED IN THE FIRST BATTLE BY BOMBARDING PORT ARTHUR AND PLANNING THE CAPTURE OF STRATEGETIC POINTS. THE RUSSIAN FLEET AT PORT ARTHUR IS PRACTICALLY DESTROYED AND IF JAPAN NOW GOES NORTH SHE MAY DESTROY THE SQUADRON AT VLADIVOSTOK WHICH WILL LEAVE RUSSIA WITHOUT A FLEET ON THE FAR EASTERN COAST. ALREADY THE PEOPLE OF RUSSIA ARE BECOMING SERIOUSLY ALARMED AT THE SITUATION.

ANOTHER BATTLE AT PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12—In a dispatch from Nagasaki dated Feb. 10, a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

"There has been a renewed attack on Port Arthur. The Japanese captured seven Russian ships and chased others.

"There have been disturbances at Port Arthur, in which a number of Japanese civilians were killed or imprisoned.

"A Chinese mob has destroyed the telegraph line round New Chwang."

In a dispatch from Shanghai dated Feb. 12, 2 a. m., a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

"The bombardment of Port Arthur continues. Three Russian cruisers have been sunk. The Russian bank building has been burned."

JAPANESE LOSS AT PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of Reuter's telegram company cables that the naval headquarters staff there announces that in the fight at Port Arthur six Japanese ships were slightly damaged and 50 Japanese were killed and 150 wounded.

JAPANESE SQUADRON NEAR PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12—There is a marked lull in war news. No confirmation has been received here of the reported attempts of the Japanese to land troops near Port Arthur. Captain Tamuri, the Japanese naval attache, discredits these rumors. He said:

"The Japanese will never attempt to take Port Arthur from the sea alone."

The captain attaches the greatest importance to the seizure of Masampho, Korea, as giving Japan command of the straits of Korea and preventing a juncture of the Russian squadrons. He thinks from the plans previously arranged that the main Japanese squadron is still in the vicinity of Port Arthur, probably preparing for another attack.

NO REPORT OF FURTHER FIGHTING

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—It is positively asserted by the government that no telegrams have been received from Viceroy Alexieff except those already given out, and it is understood that even the czar is expectantly awaiting for complete, direct official information.

At the admiralty it was said that some technical details had been received but nothing in regard to further fighting.

The explanation of the admiralty of the non-receipt here of direct news of the naval battle off Chemulpo was lack of cable connections.

What additional information the authorities have has been obtained from the Russian embasies abroad. The ambassador of Russia at Paris has sent a full story of the battle of Chemulpo in which he praises the heroic conduct of the Russian soldiers.

The newspapers here today printed the bare, foreign telegrams, telling of what has happened in Korea. Large crowds of people are constantly at the admiralty, seeking information in regard to the fate of relatives in the fleet.

The movement of Russian troops eastward is being pushed from all directions.

Notice has been given that emigration eastward is suspended. In fact, the Siberian railroad is monopolized by the transportation of troops and war munitions, to the complete exclusion of commercial traffic.

TWO CONFLICTS HAVE TAKEN PLACE

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—A careful study of the reports that have reached America and Europe from the east, including press despatches and communications through official channels, would indicate that but two actual conflicts of any moment have so far occurred. These are the Japanese naval attack on Port Arthur on Monday night and Tuesday morning and the affair at Chemulpo on Monday and Tuesday. In circles whose knowledge of conditions in that part of the world allows them to speak with accuracy, the various reports of other engagements are considered but echoes of these two fights.

News travels slowly in North China. Cable and telegraph facilities are very limited and it is evident that as reports of the Port Arthur and Chemulpo affairs reach various points they are promptly cabled by resident correspondents, resulting in a natural confusion of dates. The circumstantial report of another engagement sent by the Reuter Telegram Co., from Tokio, under date of Feb. 10, published in this country yesterday afternoon, is believed also to have referred to the original Port Arthur attack, news of which had just reached Tokio, or that the despatch was delayed in transmission. This belief is strengthened by the fact that no official confirmation has been received of subsequent engagements and it is pointed out that such official advices were received through the various embassies at Washington promptly on the heels of the press reports of the events of Monday and Tuesday. The flood of conflicting despatches from various north China points during the Boxer revolution is recalled. For this reason the report cabled by the Tien Tsin correspondent of the London Standard that a Russian fleet had bombarded Hakodate is entirely disregarded. Naval men in this city say that so far as is known the only Russian vessels in position to make a move are those at Vladivostok and that it cannot for a moment be thought that they would be withdrawn from the defence of that important depot, even if they are free of the ice and not blocked up by a Japanese squadron, as has been reported. In view of the fact that there is no cable connection between Japan and China except by way of Shanghai, it is to say the least improbable that such important news would be first heard in the inland town of Tien Tsin.

The official note sent out last night from St. Petersburg that the cable from Vladivostock to Nagasaki, the telegraph line from Seoul to Masampho and the telegraph line from Seoul to Wonsan are broken limits communication with Japan to the cables that land at Shanghai which are under Japanese censorship. This is additional reason to discredit the vague reports of further engagements.

JAPANESE TROOPS BEING EMBARKED

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The Japanese minister here, Baron Hayashi, has received a despatch from the government at Tokio announcing that the latter has not yet received an official report of the battle fought off Port Arthur and adding that apparently the disembarkation of Japanese troops is proceeding satisfactorily and without disorder at Chemulpo, the port of Seoul, Korea, and elsewhere.

RUSSIAN MINISTER GOES TO CHINA

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The advices of the Japanese minister announce that M. Pavloff the Russian minister at Seoul and the Russian legation guard have departed for China and that the Russian officers and sailors who surrendered to the Japanese after the battle fought off Chemulpo will be sent to Shanghai under parole on the first neutral vessel available.

ANOTHER DANGER IN THE NEAR EAST

PARIS, Feb. 12—In accounting for the disposition of the continental powers to preserve strict neutrality in the far east it must be considered that there is another danger nearer home. The probabilities of approaching troubles in the near east are not diminished. A rupture between Turkey and Bulgaria is not improbable. The situation in the Balkan peninsula will be found to influence certain great powers in their attitude respecting the far east. In this connection there is one fact of importance.

No matter what the interests of England and France in the far east may be, in the near east their interests do not clash. Last year the two countries worked harmoniously and in some degree successfully together. No doubt similar harmonious action is contemplated by both governments in the event of war in the far east for the protection of their individual and mutual interests, and this, no doubt, is a fresh guarantee that they will not be drawn into the Russo-Japanese war save, perhaps, in the last extremity.

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February Sale

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SUN LATEST

FIVE O'CLOCK

DEATHS

McQUADE—Mrs. Mary McQuade, aged 70 years, died this morning at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ellen T. Joyce, 22 Twelfth street.

The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon. Friends are requested not to send flowers.

HALEY. Andrew Haley, a well-known and highly respected resident of this city, passed away last night at his home, 169 Colburn street, at the age of 60 years. The deceased was born in Ireland, but when a young man came to this city and has resided here for the past 43 years. He was a devout and constant attendant at the Immaculate Conception church, having been a collector at that church since it was erected. He leaves to mourn his loss two daughters and one son, Margaret, Jane and James. He was one of the oldest employes of the Merrimack Manufacturing company, and for years resided in the Merrimack corporation.

DONOHOE—Grace Agnes Donohoe, aged four months, child of Frank and Catherine, died early this morning at the home of her parents, 44 Highland street.

DWYER—Ann Dwyer, aged 49 years, a devout attendant at St. Patrick's church, died yesterday at the St Patrick's Working Girls' home in Cross street.

LOST—In Prescott hall or coming from there, Monday night, lady's breast pin, Japanese head, with several pearls and gold band underneath. Return to 245 Gorham street.

MRS. ALEXANDER DUPONT, the well known dressmaker, has moved to 673 Middlesex street, where she will be pleased to meet all her old customers and new patrons.

DOUBLE STAMPS. Light Blue, all this week; 100 with Baking Powder; 40 with Tea and 50 with Coffee. Dickson's Tea Store, 88 Merrimack street.

WANTED—Good tailor at P. T. Donnelly's, 138 Gorham street.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 10, 1904. The Committee on Banks and Banking will give a hearing to parties interested in Senate bill No. 41, Report of Commission to revise laws relating to trust companies; also Senate bill No. 1, that part of the Governor's address relating to trust companies, at room No. 448, State House, on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. E. L. Osgood, Chairman. Daniel J. O'Brien, Clerk of the Committee.

CRASHED INTO CAR

Captain Albert Gibson of Truck One Injured in Collision

While Responding to an Alarm—Truck and Car Collided on Lawrence Street in the Early Morning—Conflicting Stories of the Accident

An out-going Lawrence street electric car collided with Truck One of the Lawrence street firehouse in Lawrence street about 5.40 o'clock this morning and as a result of the accident, Capt. Albert H. Gibson, of the truck, sustained injuries which may prove fatal. He is now at the Lawrence street house suffering from a broken collarbone and probably internal injuries. He is also badly bruised about the arms and limbs. As there were very few people in the vicinity when the accident happened it is difficult to state whether the driver of the truck or the motorman of the car was to blame.

At the time of the accident Timothy Dwyer was driving the truck, Timothy Brown was at the tiller on the rear end of the wagon, and Captain Gibson was standing on the front side step on

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CONLON ON HAND

Will Appear Before Appropriations Committee

The appropriations committee, having recovered from the effects of Wednesday night's hearing, will meet again this evening and Supt. Conlon will appear before them again with reports from the state inspector of boilers regarding the boilers in some of the schools.

In his estimate Supt. Conlon has asked a considerable amount of money for boilers, new ones being called for in some cases, and extensive repairs in others. Some of the committee were inclined to believe that these repairs were not all necessary. Their minds will be disclosed of that idea tonight, however, for the superintendent will show that in every case the repairs are insisted upon by the state inspector of boilers.

Supt. Conlon is the first of the superintendents to insist on all janitors remaining in their respective schools during sessions while there are fires in their furnaces. Heretofore the janitors were accustomed to leaving the buildings during the day, but Supt. Conlon changed the order of things to the satisfaction of teachers and parents.

RECEIVER APPOINTED.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12—Upon petition of a stockholder alleging "fraudulent mismanagement," Judge Kohlsaat, in the U. S. district court today appointed the Equitable Trust Co., receiver for the Model Gold Mining Co., a $900,000 corporation. The receivership follows closely the holding of Frank and John Jager to the federal grand jury. The two are respectively president and secretary of the company.

OPERATIVES IDLE

Trouble Over the Prices for Weaving

DOVER, N. H., Feb. 12.—Differences between the Cocheco Manufacturing company, and the weavers of No. 5 cotton mill of the corporation regarding prices for weaving caused the shut down of that section of the big plant today. Two hundred operatives are idle.

The weavers in No. 5 mill, who had been working on fancy goods, were recently placed on plain fabrics, which they assert yielded them 17½ cents per cut instead of 25 cents for the former grade of cloth.

Charles H. Fish, agent of the company, states that the closing of the mill is not due to a strike. The market conditions are such, he says, that it has become unprofitable to weave fancy goods in No. 5 mill. To prevent many weavers being thrown out of work in midwinter he did not stop the looms at once as had been decided upon at one time, but put plain goods on the looms. The latter not being speeded as highly as those in the other mills, the weavers were not able to make as much as they did on fancy work.

When it was learned that the weavers wanted an advance of 33 per cent, an increase beyond the ability of the company to grant and that they did not desire to continue at the looms, Mr. Fish says he decided to close the mill indefinitely.

It is not known whether the other mills will be affected by the difficulty.

Warranted tooth brushes, 19c, 25c, 33c. A. W. Dows & Co.

Valentines at Mohairs' dance, Saturday night, Odd Fellows' temple.

Your dealer has this superior brand in stock and he realizes that they are "A Little Better Than Any Other"
C. C. A.
UNION MADE
10c CIGARS
C. C. A. CIGAR CO., - - BOSTON

A SUDDEN THAW

Will Play Havoc With Merrimack River

The temperature this morning took the stiffness out of the footing in the downtown streets and sleighing in the business section is miserable, while on the side streets and the outskirts it continues good.

Supt. Beals still keeps a large force of men at work despite the criticisms of Messrs. Manning, Stratton and others and at present the city men are levelling the piles along the sides of the streets so as to make sleighing safe and comfortable.

The Locks and Canals people are devoutly hoping for a gradual thaw when the thaw comes, for a sudden thaw would cause much trouble if not a freshet. It is said there are 17 inches of ice in the river in this vicinity, while snow and ice abound in the north country.

CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT

AKRON, O., Feb. 12.—Frank S. Newton, for over 20 years an employe of the Diamond Match company, has been arrested charged with the embezzlement of between $12,000 and $15,000. The alleged irregularities extend over six years.

THE WEATHER

Local forecast: Fair tonight and Saturday; light to fresh northwest to west winds.

The Confidence of the People

To win the confidence of the Lowell buying public has been our aim during the past three years.

We have used good, straight, rational methods. Honest, reliable goods at a price which would admit of quality being satisfactory. Our values are not approached by any grocery house in the city. The result has been most satisfactory and very gratifying. Our business has steadily gained in volume and many customers have found it pleasant to buy for cash at

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Telephone 672-3.
223 CENTRAL STREET

No connection with any other store in Lowell. Goods, prices and methods differ from those of any other store in Lowell. This week we want to interest you in our

CANDY COUNTER

Peanut Taffy	10c lb.
Peanut Squares	10c lb.
Ginger Sorgum	10c lb.
Broken Candy	10c lb.
Good Mixture	10c lb.
Caramels	10c lb.
Gum Drops	10c lb.
Choice Mixture	18c lb.
Best Mixture	25c lb.
Butter Wafers	20c lb.
Molasses Chips	20c lb.
Maple Walnut Creams	25c lb.
Ice Cream Drops	25c lb.
Ting-a-Ling	25c lb.
Imperial Brand Chocolates (15 varieties.)	50c lb.
Queen Brand Chocolates (10 varieties.)	30c lb.

WANTED—A young man, High school graduate preferred, for office work, etc., to be paid by a full course in shorthand. Call at 31 Hildreth building Saturday, 2 p. m.

SALVATION ARMY HALL, 33 Shattuck St.—A rummage sale will be held every Saturday. Open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., commencing Feb. 20, 1904. Cast-off clothing, old furniture, etc., for this purpose will be accepted. Address post card to Salvation Army, 50 Chestnut street.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.48	6.50	6.00	7.04
6.22	7.40	6.30	7.25
a6.39	7.30	7.55	8.55
ad.42	7.53	8.25	9.01
e7.01	8.02	e9.00	6.87
ee7.24	8.10	e10.00	10.37
e7.51	8.50	a10.17	11.34
7.45	8.55	e11.30	12.07
8 50	9.40	12.00	12.56
9 40	10 40	e1.00	1.37
11 00	12.08	2.00	3.01
ae11 43	12.25	e3.00	3.37
a12.14	1.00	a3.47	5.00
1.40	2.50	4.14	5.30
ea1.56	2.39	e5.00	5.37
a3.08	4.20	5.38	6.26
a 3.47	4.50	a5.47	6.04
4 25	5.30	6.14	7.30
ea5.22	6.15	e7.30	8.08
a5.44	7.00	e8 50	9.05
ea6.22	7.05	10.30	11.34
ee7.29	8.10	11.20	12.22

SUNDAY TRAINS

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
a6.80	7.50	9.00	10.00
a7.24	8.10	1.00	1.57
8.45	9.49	5.00	5.58
a9.20	10.15	e7.30	8.08
a4.25	5.30	e8.30	9.08
a5.58	7.00	9.00	10.02

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.50	8.00	7.50	8.84
8.00	8.64	9.25	10.82
9.25	10.30	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.08
12.05	1.32	2.16	3.19
12.45	1.57	3.86	4.65
2.30	3.35	4.58	5.50
3.10	4.10	6.01	7.05
3.55	5.04	6.55	7.48
5.08	6.43	9.39	10.40
6.15	7.16	B11.15	12.15
7.00	8.06		
9.25	10.30		

SUNDAY TRAINS

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
8.16	9.27	8.00	9.17
12.05	1.24	12.00	1.09
4.05	5.18	6.00	8.27
5.50	6.55		
8.00	9.05		

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LOCAL NEWS

Tickets—F. A. M. Tobin's Printery.

T. A. D. Sullivan, wholesale grocer.

Lawler Printing Co., 29 Prescott st.

John J. Pickman, lawyer, No. 2 Hildreth building.

Hire your hacks at O'Donnell's stable. Tel. 439-4.

Warranted tooth brushes 19c, 25c, 33c. A. W. Dows & Co.

BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Dr. L. L. Mial of this city played two games in the national amateur billiard championship tournament yesterday afternoon and evening, and won both. In the afternoon he defeated Arthur Marcott, the Canadian champion, 300 to 229 and last night he outplayed Charles F. Conklin of Chicago, 300 to 267.

MARDI GRAS CARNIVAL.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 12—The Mardi Gras carnival opened last night with the parade of the Knights of Momus, who represented visions of the world's vanity. It was one of the handsomest displays witnessed here. The city was brilliantly illuminated and already contains one of the greatest crowds in its history.

JIM PARR DEFEATED

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., Feb. 12.—Jim Parr, the English champion wrestler, was defeated last night by Lundin. Lundin won the first fall in 25 minutes, 30 seconds, the third and deciding fall in 11 minutes, 30 seconds. Parr got the second fall in 37 minutes, 30 seconds.

EDISON'S BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The American Institute of Electrical Engineers celebrated the birthday of Thomas A. Edison and the 25th anniversary of the successful introduction and development of the incandescent lamp at the annual dinner last night in the Waldorf Astoria. Thomas A. Edison was the guest of honor and about 700 members and guests of the institute were present.

T. Comerford Martin acted as toastmaster. He introduced Mr. Edison, reciting the achievements of the "wizard".

Mr. Edison, in accordance with his invariable rule, declined to speak, but telegraphed his response. A. B. Chandler, president of the Postal Telegraph company, "reciting".

It was also transmitted by the Marconi system across the hall. The response was then read to the assembled company.

Congratulatory messages were received from President Roosevelt and Signor Marconi, while eminent electricians and other sent greetings.

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INSANE TEACHER

Killed Her Mother and Herself

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 12.—Miss Hulda Nelson, school teacher of Fort Dodge, Iowa, in a moment of insanity, brained her mother with a hatchet while the mother was sleeping and then jumped into a cistern, drowning herself. The young woman tied three flat irons about her neck before she leaped into the cistern.

HARMON ROBBED

BOSTON MAN ATTACKED BY TWO THUGS.

BOSTON, Feb. 12—Horace M. Harmon, a Portland street restaurant proprietor, was knocked down on the street last night by two men and robbed of $1050. Harmon yesterday sold his restaurant at 20 Portland street and soon after he left the place last night he was followed by two men. One of them struck him on top of the head, smashing his hat over his eyes and dazing him. Harmon fell to the ground and before he could rise his assailant ripped open his clothing and took a wallet containing the money from an inside pocket. By the time Harmon rose to his feet the robbers were out of sight.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

"The Social Whirl" was the attraction at the Academy of Music yesterday afternoon and evening and good sized audiences attended the different performances. The piece is without doubt one of the strongest comedies on the stage today and is a sure cure for the blues. If people do not wish to laugh they had better stay away from the theatre during the remainder of the week, but those who wish to see a roaring, side-splitting comedy full of perplexible situations they had better join in the line to the box office and purchase their tickets for one of the performances. The company is sure to please you, for it is strong and well balanced, each member of the cast having his part well in hand.

The leading part is taken by Edward R. Strout, who portrays Dick Wilson, the young man who robbed his rich uncle of a bride, and who is in a barrel of trouble until he finally owns up the mean trick he played. The part of Cora, Dick's wife, is taken by Miss Agnes Parson, who is not on to the game played by her husband and her perplexity in the carrying on of her husband makes her part a highly amusing one.

Carl Cunnigham, who plays the part of Obadiah Dawson, Dick's uncle, throws out comedy every minute he is on the stage, his rough manner and sympathy for his nephew, who, he thinks, married an old woman, convulsing the audience with laughter. James Coveney makes a fine Thomas Coleman. By the way of no harm Thomas married for money and as usual got an old fogy of a woman who made life miserable for him, and despite the fact that she had plenty of the worldly goods, Tom was not so fortunate as to receive as much as he would like.

The other characters in the comedy are played by efficient players.

The scene in the first act is at Tom's country home at Nahant, Mass., where poor henpecked Tom is getting all and more than is coming to him from his aged wife. Dick's uncle turns up and as Dick married the girl his uncle wished to wed and the latter knew nothing of it, there was a little excitement when the old man blew in from Japan. By lies and different forms of strategy Dick succeeds in keeping his uncle from seeing his wife, but his troubles increase and misery after misery turns up until Dick, sick of the game he is playing, owns up that he married Cora, and the matter is ironed out to the satisfaction of everyone.

For specialties Miss Alice Thornton appeared under the title of champion buck and wing dancer of the United States, without competition. She did a remarkable whirligig with her pedal extremities. Cunningham and Coveney incarnated the latest comedy in their sketch. They "came with all the London style of Coster characters and pastimes," and jokes from across the water were dropped over the lights. Hall and Parsons, the latter an accomplished singer, entertained musically and with dancing.

Matinees today and tomorrow; also evening performances.

THE CASTO THEATRE

Tomorrow is Children's Day at the Casto theatre, and those intending to visit the theatre should order seats at once, to avoid the rush. The race between horse and man will please and electrify the young folks just as much as it does their elders, for it is the most exciting event ever placed on the local stage, and it will probably be the only time that the school children will have the opportunity of witnessing an event of this kind. The spectacle of a horse running at topmost speed and a bicyclist pedalling at record-breaking time, is a sight all want to see. Harper, Desmond and Bailey will especially please the youngsters, and Paul Barnes with his merry stories will be a favorite. The Four American Trumpeters in their military musical act, will score a hit, as the young ladies are very attractive and are excellent musicians. The remainder of the program is exceptionally well balanced. Green Trading Stamps are given free with orchestra tickets.

BOWLING NEWS.

The Highland club bowling team found the Zophers an easy proposition last night and in a game on the Highland club alleys the team representing the club defeated their opponents by a score of 1218 to 1137. E. Libby and Wing did the heavy rolling for the victorious team, while Lee carried off the honors for his team. The score:

HIGHLANDS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
E. Libby	83	92	86	261
Runels	82	84	83	249
Wing	91	99	70	263
Lazelle	52	68	91	211
Stevens	56	70	72	198
Total	400	413	405	1218

ZOPHERS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
Zopher	80	68	73	222
Sherburne	85	64	79	228
Osterhout	62	81	71	214
Lee	84	87	68	229
McKenzie	80	61	85	226
Total	400	369	368	1137

ORIENTS VICTORIOUS.

The Orients defeated the Ramblers in the Recreation bowling league contest in Les Miserables alleys last night by a score of 1209 to 1198. Kelley was high single and high total man for the Orients and Simpson who was high total man for the Ramblers was tied with Rigby in high singles. The score:

ORIENTS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
Kelley	85	89	90	264
Kerrigan	89	83	73	295
Lanagan	76	77	88	241
Galvin	71	77	86	235
Slavin	71	89	82	247
Total	375	415	419	1209

RAMBLERS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
Marsden	86	81	74	241
Simpson	83	87	90	254
Rigby	74	90	84	248
McGrail	75	75	75	225
O'Brien	75	75	75	225
Total	393	405	398	1198

It is more profitable to advertise honorably and fail in the attempt to get business, than to advertise dishonorably and succeed for a little while.

SENATOR HANNA

Said to be in a Precarious Condition

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Senator Hanna's condition is very serious, if not precarious. His physicians realize this and are watching the case with the greatest concern. The senator was considerably weaker yesterday and as a result his pulse had run up at 6 o'clock to 101 pulsations to the minute. The increased weakness is the direct result of the fever, as the official bulletin shows that there are no complications. The physicians hope that the fever has reached its worst stage, but whether or not it has they declare they are unable to say. They are simply waiting for developments and realize the patient has lost ground the last two days. Stimulants had been given the senator during the day and with beneficial results. He rested well during the afternoon and retained the nourishment given him during the past 24 hours. This latter feature of the case is encouraging to the physicians. Extraordinary precautions are being taken to insure quiet in and around the hotel so that the senator may get all the natural sleep possible. The motormen of the street cars almost a block away have been requested not to ring their gongs, as their sudden clanging seemed to irritate the senator.

After the evening visit of the physicians Senator Hanna slept for about an hour and a half which considerably refreshed him. Dr. Carter remains at the hotel all the time, so as to be on hand in case there is a call for him.

The following bulletin on Senator Hanna's condition was issued last night:

"At 8 p. m. Senator Hanna was resting quietly. His temperature when taken at 6 o'clock was 102 2-10; pulse, 104; respiration 28. There has been no change in his general condition since the morning bulletin was issued. He retains all the nourishment given him for the past 24 hours. There are no complications.

(Signed) "RIXEY,
"CARTER."

LENTEN REGULATIONS

RULES FOR FASTING AND ABSTINENCE DURING LENT.

Following is a copy of the Lenten regulations forwarded to all the Roman Catholic pastors of Lowell to be read at the different churches of that denomination at all of the masses Sunday next:

All the days of Lent are fast days of obligation.

The following dispensations are granted for this diocese by the authority of the Holy See:

The use of flesh meat is allowed during Lent, once a day, on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturdays, the second and last Saturdays excepted.

Lard and fat rendered from any kind of meat may be used in preparing permitted food.

A small quantity of bread, about two ounces, together with a cup of tea, coffee or chocolate, is permitted in the morning.

A collation, not exceeding the fourth part of an ordinary meal, or about eight ounces, is allowed in the evening.

The use of eggs, butter, cheese and milk is permitted in the evening collation, and also at the principal meal on the days on which the use of flesh meat is forbidden.

The principal meal may be taken in the evening and the collation in the morning, should circumstances so require.

The use of flesh meat and fish at the same meal is not allowed even on Sundays.

On Sundays there is neither fasting nor abstinence.

Persons exempt from fasting are permitted to use flesh meat more than once on days on which the use of flesh meat is allowed.

The following persons are exempt from fasting, but not from abstinence:

All under 21 years of age and those of advanced age.

The sick and those that cannot fast without great injury to their health.

Women during pregnancy or while nursing infants.

All those whose duties are of a very laborious of exhausting nature.

By virtue of the indult of the Holy See of March 15, 1895; working people and their families are allowed the use of flesh meat once a day in this diocese on all days of the year except Fridays, Ash Wednesday, the Wednesday and Saturday of holy week and the vigil of Christmas. Those who avail themselves of this dispensation are exhorted to perform some other act of mortification, such as abstining from intoxicating drinks, etc.

The time for fulfilling the Easter precept of holy communion extends from the first Sunday in Lent, Feb. 21, to Trinity Sunday, May 29.

NEW HOME

The selectmen of Dracut have granted permission to MRS. A. BLANCHARD to conduct a lying-in hospital at 688 PLEASANT STREET, DRACUT CENTRE, under the revised laws of Massachusetts. Telephone 734-4.

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THE BON MARCHE DRY GOODS COMPANY

DOUBLE GREEN TRADING STAMPS **SATURDAY**

PARTHENAIS BROS.

Stock of Women's Goods were put on sale yesterday morning. The selling has been quite satisfactory; but some good things are still left. The lots, however, are too small to classify in this ad., but they are in the store and combined with the following good things should make today and tomorrow busy days.

LUCK

THE NEW BREAKFAST FOOD

NO COOKING. READY TO SERVE

A flaky crisp cereal made from CALIFORNIA WHITE WHEAT. Every kernel is brushed and washed by electric machinery. It is cooked in electric ovens. When thoroughly done it falls into sterilized moisture-proof packages.

Human hands have never touched it. It is as pure and clean as human ingenuity can make it.

Children like it. Older people like it. It agrees with everyone. It gives health and happiness. It is the long sought "LUCK" that brings the sunshine of perfect digestion. We have full control of this excellent "cereal" in Lowell. To thoroughly introduce it we make the following offer:

2 Packages for 25 Cents

And with every 25c purchase $2.00 worth of S. & H. Green Trading Stamps free.

Once try it and you'll always buy it.

SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION in our basement, where we serve this dainty food with pure cream and sugar.

4 PHOTOGRAPHS FOR 50c

These photos are made in book form on fine embossed cardboard. The size is 4½x3 inches. The cover is linen finish. The work finely executed. All-in-all it is a very unusual offering.

Take elevator, photograph studio, 5th floor.

ADVANCE SHOWING OF Queen Quality OXFORDS

We made arrangements to have our "Oxfords" come in early, consequently they are here ready for your inspection.

The line is very large and includes many new patterns in Patent Kid, Vici Kid and Russia Calf.

Gibson ties and slightly narrower toes prevail, although the broad Mannish patterns are still in evidence. We cordially invite your inspection, and will be glad to hear your criticism concerning them.

The Price is $2.50 and $3 a Pair

SNAPPY NEWS FROM THE

WAIST SECTION

AT 25c—Colored Lawns and Percales, worth 50c.

AT 49c—White Madras, Plain Batiste, Striped Lawns and Ginghams, worth from $1.00 to $1.25.

AT 79c—White Cheviots, White Piques and Colored Cheviots, worth from $1.39 to $2.00.

AT 98c—White Dotted Piques, Plain Cheviots, Striped Madras and Fleece Lined Cheviots, also Wool Flannel Waists, worth from $2.00 to $3.00.

AT $1.49—All kinds and styles, Cheviots, Madras and Fancy Vestings, worth from $3.00 to $5.00.

FOUR STRONG ITEMS FROM THE

BASEMENT SECTION

32 IN. MADRAS, 12½c YARD—Handsome patterns, short lengths of 25c goods.

ECLIPSE FLANNELS, 9c YARD—Yard wide, always sells for 15c yard.

SATSUMA PONGEE, 7½c YARD—Looks like silk, 27 in. wide.

LIGHT COLORED PERCALES, 9c YARD—Always 12½c yd., good desirable patterns.

HOSIERY BARGAINS

CHILDREN'S HOSE, 8c PAIR—Fast black, fleece lined, ribbed and plain, sizes 6 to 9. Regularly 10c and 12½c pair.

CHILDREN'S HOSE, 6c PAIR—Heavy cotton, sizes 6 to 9½, tan color, 1 and 1 rib, always 10c and 12½c pair.

INFANTS' HOSE, 15c PAIR—Ribbed Cashmere, silk heel and toe; white, blue and black; always 25c pair.

WOMEN'S HOSE, 10c PAIR—Fleeced lined and heavy cotton; some have white feet; always 12½c pair.

WOMEN'S WOOL HOSE, 19c PAIR—Heavy rib, always 25c pair.

18 SWEET ORANGES FOR 25c

CALIFORNIA SEEDLESS NAVELS

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THREE GOOD THINGS IN

MEN'S GOODS

JERSEY RIBBED SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, 28c—Fleece lined, Drawers double seated; regularly 39c grade.

MEN'S HEAVY COTTON NIGHT SHIRTS, 38c—Fancy trimmed fronts; regularly 50c.

MEN'S NEGLIGEE SHIRTS, 49c—Separate cuffs. Just as good as gold, but last year's patterns. They sold for $1.00; now they'll go quick at 49c.

THREE EXTRA VALUES IN THE

DRESS GOODS SECTION

44 IN. BRILLIANTINE, 39c YARD—Two shades of blue, also black. Regular 50c goods.

52 IN. MOHAIR, 59c YARD—Two shades of blue, also grey and black. Regularly 79c yard.

27 IN. PONGEE SILK, 39c YARD—Natural white and black.

25c WOMEN'S GOLF GLOVES

10 Cents Pair

Good desirable colors, all sizes.

ANOTHER LOT OF 50c GRADES FOR 25c—These embrace all the wantable kinds so much sought earlier in the season.

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We have taken every coat on our tables, $10.00 grades, $15.00 and $20.00 grades, and marked them

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to insure a rapid clearance. All styles and kinds in the assortment, Box Coats, Military Coats, ½-fitted and Ripple Cape Coats, all go at the one price.

DON'T LET THIS OPPORTUNITY SLIP BY.

2 BARGAINS IN RIBBONS

6-in. white chiffon and 6-in. black chiffon ribbon with gold edging, and 3½-in. plaid ribbon in a wide variety of colorings. The lots are not large; probably will last a couple of days. The prices usually asked are 25c and 39c yard. However, we have priced this lot .... **15c YARD**

A LONG SWEET KISS

Will be given to every customer who visits our candy Demonstration Saturday. We have secured the services of NEW ENGLAND'S LIGHTNING DEMONSTRATOR, who will give sweet kisses to every visitor.

These kisses are made upon the spot and you get them fresh from the hook.

The flavorings are honey and molasses. 5c, 10c and 20c packages.

DEMONSTRATION REAR OF MILLINERY DEPT.

A SPLENDID PETTICOAT

For 98 Cents

We want you to see it: It is a fine

Mercerized Glass Cloth, quite heavy, with deep plaited flounce and dust ruffle. The sizes are full and not skimped in any way.

SPRING SHOWING OF

WASH FABRICS

Our new spring line is ready for your inspection. It is complete in every detail. Price range and style range has never been broader or more representative. Manufacturers both at home and abroad have produced some exquisite things for the summer dress, prettier, daintier than ever. COTTON VOILE SEEMS TO OCCUPY THE SEAT OF FAVORITISM, although other new weaves vie with it for 1st place. The prices are very reasonable. The price of cotton seemingly has no effect whatever, for as far as we can judge the

Showing is even more reasonable in price than same quality of material last year.

The Prices Range from .... **12 1-2c to 50c yard**

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Children's Skirts, worth 19c. Now 10c	Women's Long Skirts, worth 49c, Now 33c
Children's Dresses, worth 49c. Now 25c	Women's Short Skirts, worth 25c. Now 19c
Children's Gowns, worth 39c. Now 25c	Women's Short Skirts, worth 49c. Now 39c

2 BARGAINS IN MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

WOMEN'S DRAWERS, WORTH 25c, NOW 19c—5-inch ruffle, trimmed with five rows of fine tucks, hemstitched edge.

WOMEN'S ROBES, WORTH 49c, NOW 39c—High neck, yoke trimmed with hamburg insertion and tucking, full sizes.

A FINE WRAPPER

For 79 Cents

Good quality Percale, 13-inch flounce, yoke back and front, 4-inch ruffle finishes yoke all around, fancy braid trimmings, good generous sizes. We sell it for 98c; however it is actually worth $1.25.

Today and Tomorrow you choose for **79c.**

SOME LOW PRICES IN THE

JEWELRY SECTION

BELT BROOCH, 10c—Black, Pearl, Oxidized and Grey; always 25c.

HAT PINS, 5c—Black and fancy stone settings; worth 10c.

STICK PINS, 5c—A very large assortment, very pretty patterns.

BROOCH PINS, 15c—A score of styles; always 25c.

HAIR BARRETTS AND COMBS, 10c—In shell, many styles; worth 25 cents.

500 SOFA PILLOWS

At 25c Each

Sateen covered, 18x18 size, 4-inch ruffle, desirable patterns, cotton filling, and the price only 25c each.

8c BALL YARN (Woolen)

5c Ball

HEAD RESTS, 10c EACH—Sateen covered, size 14x12, bound with cord, cord loops. A leader at 10c.

THE EVERTIDY COMB

A comb that holds the stray locks neatly and firmly in place. On sale at Jewelry Counter. The price, **25 CENTS.**

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ANOTHER BATTLE AT PORT ARTHUR

Little is Left There of the Russian Fleet

A Russian Bank Reported Burned—Various Accounts of the First Battle and How the Russians Were Entrapped—Japanese Losses are Also Heavy

LONDON, FEB. 12.—REPORTS FROM THE SCENE OF WAR IN THE FAR EAST INDICATE THAT JAPAN IS FOLLOWING UP THE ADVANTAGE GAINED IN THE FIRST BATTLE BY BOMBARDING PORT ARTHUR AND PLANNING THE CAPTURE OF STRATEGETIC POINTS. THE RUSSIAN FLEET AT PORT ARTHUR IS PRACTICALLY DESTROYED AND IF JAPAN NOW GOES NORTH SHE MAY DESTROY THE SQUADRON AT VLADIVOSTOK WHICH WILL LEAVE RUSSIA WITHOUT A FLEET ON THE FAR EASTERN COAST. ALREADY THE PEOPLE OF RUSSIA ARE BECOMING SERIOUSLY ALARMED AT THE SITUATION.

ANOTHER BATTLE AT PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12—In a dispatch from Nagasaki dated Feb. 9, a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

"There has been a renewed attack on Port Arthur. The Japanese captured seven Russian ships and chased others.

"There have been disturbances at Port Arthur, in which a number of Japanese civilians were killed or imprisoned.

"A Chinese mob has destroyed the telegraph line round New Chwang."

In a dispatch from Shanghai dated Feb. 12, 3 a. m., a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

"The bombardment of Port Arthur continues. Three Russian cruisers have been sunk. The Russian bank building has been burned."

JAPANESE LOSS AT PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of Reuter's telegram company cables that the naval headquarters staff there announces that in the fight at Port Arthur six Japanese ships were slightly damaged and 50 Japanese were killed and 150 wounded.

JAPANESE SQUADRON NEAR PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12—There is a marked lull in war news. No confirmation has been received here of the reported attempts of the Japanese to land troops near Port Arthur. Captain Tamari, the Japanese naval attache, discredits these rumors. He said:

"The Japanese will never attempt to take Port Arthur from the sea alone."

The captain attaches the greatest importance to the seizure of Masampho, Korea, as giving Japan command of the straits of Korea and preventing a junctureof the Russian squadrons. He thinks from the plans previously arranged that the main Japanese squadron is still in the vicinity of Port Arthur, probably preparing for another attack.

NO REPORT OF FURTHER FIGHTING

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—It is positively asserted by the government that no telegrams have been received from Viceroy Alexieff except those already given out, and it is understood that even the czar is expectantly awaiting for complete, direct official information.

At the admiralty it was said that some technical details had been received but nothing in regard to further fighting.

The explanation of the admiralty of the non-receipt here of direct news of the naval battle off Chemulpo was lack of cable connections.

What additional information the authorities have has been obtained from the Russian embasies abroad. The ambassador of Russia at Paris has sent a full story of the battle of Chemulpo in which he praises the heroic conduct of the Russian soldiers.

The newspapers here today printed the bare, foreign telegrams, telling of what has happened in Korea. Large crowds of people are constantly at the admiralty, seeking information in regard to the fate of relatives in the fleet.

The movement of Russian troops eastward is being pushed from all directions.

Notice has been given that emigration eastward is suspended. In fact, the Siberian railroad is monopolized by the transportation of troops and war munitions, to the complete exculsion of commercial traffic.

TWO CONFLICTS HAVE TAKEN PLACE

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—A careful study of the reports that have reached America and Europe from the east, including press despatches and communications through official channels, would indicate that but two actual conflicts of any moment have so far occurred. These are the Japanese naval attack on Port Arthur on Monday night and Tuesday morning and the affair at Chemulpo on Monday and Tuesday. In circles whose knowledge of conditions in that part of the world allows them to speak with accuracy, the various reports of other engagements are considered but echoes of these two fights.

News travels slowly in North China. Cable and telegraph facilities are very limited and it is evident that as reports of the Port Arthur and Chemulpo affairs reach various points they are promptly cabled by resident correspondents, resulting in a natural confusion of dates. The circumstantial report of another engagement sent by the Reuter Telegram Co., from Tokio, under date of Feb. 10, published in this country yesterday afternoon, is believed also to have referred to the original Port Arthur attack, news of which had just reached Tokio, or that the despatch was delayed in transmission. This belief is strengthened by the fact that no official confirmation has been received of subsequent engagements and it is pointed out that such official advices were received through the various embassies at Washington promptly on the heels of the press reports of the events of Monday and Tuesday. The flood of conflicting despatches from various north China points during the Boxer revolution is recalled. For this reason the report cabled by the Tien Tsin correspondent of the London Standard that a Russian fleet had bombarded Hakodate is entirely disregarded. Naval men in this city say that so far as is known the only Russian vessels in position to make a move are those at Vladivostok and that it cannot for a moment be thought that they would be withdrawn from the defence of that important depot, even if they are free of the ice and not blocked up by a Japanese squadron, as has been reported. In view of the fact that there is no cable connection between Japan and China except by way of Shanghai, it is to say the least improbable that such important news would be first heard in the inland town of Tien Tsin.

The official note sent out last night from St. Petersburg that the cable from Vladivostok to Nagasaki, the telegraph line from Seoul to Masampho and the telegraph line from Seoul to Wonsan are broken limits communication with Japan to the cables that land at Shanghai which are under Japanese censorship. This is additional reason to discredit the vague reports of further engagements.

JAPANESE TROOPS BEING EMBARKED

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The Japanese minister here, Baron Hayashi, has received a despatch from the government at Tokio announcing that the latter has not yet received an official report of the battle fought off Port Arthur and adding that apparently the disembarkation of Japanese troops is proceeding satisfactorily and without disorder at Chemulpo, the port of Seoul, Korea, and elsewhere.

RUSSIAN MINISTER GOES TO CHINA

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The advices of the Japanese minister announce that M. Pavloff the Russian minister at Seoul and the Russian legation guard have departed for China and that the Russian officers and sailors who surrendered to the Japanese after the battle fought off Chemulpo will be sent to Shanghai under parole on the first neutral vessel available.

ANOTHER DANGER IN THE NEAR EAST

PARIS, Feb. 12—In accounting for the disposition of the continental powers to preserve strict neutrality in the far east it must be considered that there is another danger nearer home. The probabilities of approaching troubles in the near east are not diminished. A rupture between Turkey and Bulgaria is not improbable. The situation in the Balkan peninsula will be found to influence certain great powers in their attitude respecting the far east. In this connection there is one fact of importance.

No matter what the interests of England and France in the far east may be, in the near east their interests do not clash. Last year the two countries worked harmoniously and in some degree successfully together. Do doubt similar harmonious action is contemplated by both governments in the event of war in the far east for the protection of their individual and mutual interests, and this, no doubt, is a fresh guarantee that they will not be drawn into the Russo-Japanese war save, perhaps, in the last extremity.

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O'Sullivan Bros. Company
February Sale

Cork Sole Shoes

There is no season of the year when Cork Sole Shoes are so much needed as the next three months. They are not heavy, they do not sweat the feet and they certainly are dry on the bottom. The particular Shoe we offer in this sale is a French Calf Bals, with French calf lining throughout. Oak soles and insoles and are hand sewed. The price of this shoe is reduced from $6 to

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All widths from A to D, sizes 6 to 9.
Also a Black Russia Calf Lace, cork soles, hand sewed. Just a few pairs left, reduced from $5 to

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SUN LATEST FIVE O'CLOCK

DEATHS

McQUADE—Mrs. Mary McQuade, aged 70 years, died this morning at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ellen T. Joyce, 22 Twelfth street.

The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon. Friends are requested not to send flowers.

HALEY—Andrew Haley, a well-known and highly respected resident of this city, passed away last night at his home, 194 Colburn street, at the age of 60 years. The deceased was born in Ireland, but when a young man came to this city and has resided here for the past 43 years. He was a devout and constant attendant at the Immaculate Conception church, having been a collector at that church since it was erected. He leaves to mourn his loss: two daughters and one son, Margaret, Jane and James. He was one of the oldest employes of the Merrimack Manufacturing company, and for years resided in the Merrimack corporation.

DONOHOE—Grace Agnes Donohoe, aged four months, child of Frank and Catherine, died early this morning at the home of her parents, 44 Highland street.

DWYER—Ann Dwyer, aged 49 years, a devout attendant at St. Patrick's church, died yesterday at the St Patrick's Working Girls' home in Cross street.

LOST—In Prescott hall or coming from there, Monday night, lady's breast pin, Japanese head, with several pearls and gold band underneath. Return to 245 Gorham street.

MRS. ALEXANDER DUPONT, the well known dressmaker, has moved to 972 Middlesex street, where she will be pleased to meet all her old customers and new patrons.

DOUBLE STAMPS, Light Blue, all this week; 100 with Baking Powder; 40 with Tea and 20 with Coffee. Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

WANTED—Good tailor at P. T. Donnelly's, 178 Gorham street.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 10, 1904. The Committee on Banks and Banking will give a hearing to parties interested in Senate bill No. 41, Report of Commission to revise laws relating to trust companies; also Senate bill No. 1, that part of the Governor's address relating to trust companies, at room No. 448, State House, on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. E. L. Osgood, Chairman. Daniel J. O'Brien, Clerk of the Committee.

CRASHED INTO CAR

Captain Albert Gibson of Truck One Injured in Collision

While Responding to an Alarm—Truck and Car Collided on Lawrence Street in the Early Morning—Conflicting Stories of the Accident

An out-going Lawrence street electric car collided with Truck One of the Lawrence street firehouse in Lawrence street about 5.40 o'clock this morning and as a result of the accident, Capt. Albert H. Gibson, of the truck, sustained injuries which may prove fatal. He is now at the Lawrence street house suffering from a broken collarbone and probably internal injuries. He is also badly bruised about the arms and limbs. As there were very few people in the vicinity when the accident happened it is difficult to state whether the driver of the truck or the motorman of the car was to blame.

At the time of the accident Timothy Dwyer was driving the truck, Timothy Brown was at the tiller on the rear end of the wagon, and Captain Gibson was standing on the front side step on

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CONLON ON HAND

Will Appear Before Appropriations Committee

The appropriations committee, having recovered from the effects of Wednesday night's hearing, will meet again this evening and Supt. Conlon will appear before them again with reports from the state inspector of boilers regarding the boilers in some of the schools.

In his estimate Supt. Conlon has asked a considerable amount of money for boilers, new ones being called for in some cases, and extensive repairs in others. Some of the committee were inclined to believe that these repairs were not all necessary. Their minds will be disclosed of that idea tonight, however, for the superintendent will show that in every case the repairs are insisted upon by the state inspector of boilers.

Supt. Conlon is the first of the superintendents to insist on all janitors remaining in their respective schools during sessions while there are fires in their furnaces. Heretofore the janitors were accustomed to leaving the buildings during the day, but Supt. Conlon changed the order of things to the satisfaction of teachers and parents.

RECEIVER APPOINTED.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12—Upon petition of a stockholder alleging "fraudulent mismanagement," Judge Kohlsaat, in the U. S. district court today appointed the Equitable Trust Co., receiver for the Model Gold Mining Co., a $900,000 corporation. The receivership follows closely the holding of Frank and John Jager to the federal grand jury. The two are respectively president and secretary of the company.

OPERATIVES IDLE

Trouble Over the Prices for Weaving

DOVER, N. H., Feb. 12.—Differences between the Cocheco Manufacturing company, and the weavers of No. 5 cotton mill of the corporation regarding prices for weaving caused the shut down of that section of the big plant today. Two hundred operatives are idle.

The weavers in No. 5 mill, who had been working on fancy goods, were recently placed on plain fabrics, which they assert yielded them 17½ cents per cut instead of 25 cents for the former grade of cloth.

Charles H. Fish, agent of the company, states that the closing of the mill is not due to a strike. The market conditions are such, he says, that it has become unprofitable to weave fancy goods in No. 5 mill. To prevent many weavers being thrown out of work in midwinter he did not stop the looms at once as had been decided upon at one time, but put plain goods on the looms. The latter not being speeded as highly as those in the other mills, the weavers were not able to make as much as they did on fancy work.

When it was learned that the weavers wanted an advance of 33 per cent. an increase beyond the ability of the company to grant and that they did not desire to continue at the looms, Mr. Fish says he decided to close the mill indefinitely.

It is not known whether the other mills will be affected by the difficulty.

Warranted tooth brushes, 15c, 25c, 35c. A. W. Dows & Co.

Valentines at Mohairs' dance, Saturday night, Odd Fellows' temple.

A SUDDEN THAW

Will Play Havoc With Merrimack River

The temeprature this morning took the stiffness out of the footing in the downtown streets and sleighing in the business section is miserable, while on the side streets and the outskirts it continues good.

Supt. Beals still keeps a large force of men at work despite the criticisms of Messrs. Manning, Stratton and others and at present the city men are levelling the piles along the sides of the streets so as to make sleighing safe and comfortable.

The Locks and Canals people are devoutly hoping for a gradual thaw when the thaw comes, for a sudden thaw would cause much trouble if not a freshet. It is said there are 17 inches of ice in the river in this vicinity, while snow and ice abound in the north country.

CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT

AKRON, O., Feb. 12.—Frank S. Newton, for over 20 years an employe of the Diamond Match company, has been arrested charged with the embezzlement of between $12,000 and $15,000. The alleged irregularities extend over six years.

THE WEATHER

Local forecast: Fair tonight and Saturday; light to fresh northwest to west winds.

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To win the confidence of the Lowell buying public has been our aim during the past three years.

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Peanut Taffy	10c	lb.
Peanut Squares	10c	lb.
Ginger Sorgum	10c	lb.
Broken Candy	10c	lb.
Good Mixture	10c	lb.
Caramels	10c	lb.
Gum Drops	10c	lb.
Choice Mixture	18c	lb.
Best Mixture	25c	lb.
Butter Wafers	20c	lb.
Molasses Chips	20c	lb.
Maple Walnut Creams	25c	lb.
Ice Cream Drops	25c	lb.
Ting-a-Ling	25c	lb.
Imperial Brand Chocolates (15 varieties.)	50c	lb.
Queen Brand Chocolates (10 varieties.)	30c	lb.

WANTED—A young man, High school graduate preferred, for office work, etc., to be paid by a full course in shorthand. Call at 31 Muldreth building Saturday, 2 p. m.

SALVATION ARMY HALL, 31 Shattuck St.—A rummage sale will be held every Saturday. Open from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m., commencing Feb. 20, 1904. Cast-off clothing, old furniture, etc., for this purpose will be accepted. Address post card to Salvation Army, 50 Chestnut street.

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THE SUN LATEST 5 O'CLOCK

CLIMAX OF DISEASE

Senator Hanna's Doctors Say Condition is Critical

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Senator Hanna's condition this morning is notably serious. It is believed by his physicians that the climax of the disease has been reached. This may continue for 48 or 56 hours and it may continue for a much longer time. It is their belief that if the fever should break within the next two or three days, at most, Senator Hanna may have a good chance of recovery, but if it should continue for a longer period as sometimes is the case, the worst is to be feared, as the patient's strength is not sufficient to withstand the ravages of the fever for any length of time.

All of his physicians were with him this morning. Dr. Osler deeming it necessary to be present at the examination of the patient and at the consultation which followed. A thorough examination of the senator was made at 9 o'clock, as a result of which the following bulletin was issued a few minutes before 10 o'clock:

"Senator Hanna had a comfortable night but his fever is higher, 104, and the pulse is more rapid, 112; respiration 28. The irritability of the stomach has disappeared.

(Signed)

"RIXEY, OSLER, CARTER."

Shortly before 9 o'clock Senator Hanna awoke from a brief sleep. The physicians at once began their examination. They read his temperature, pulse and respiration, before going further with the examination. The results of the reading at that time are set out in the bulletin. While the patient's temperature is high it was even higher at one time last night. It is said by the physicians, however, that the temperature is no higher than is to be expected in a case of typhoid, particularly while the patient is passing through the climax of the disease.

The increase of the pulse is an indication of the senator's growing weakness, but assurance is given that that alone does not show the presence of immediate danger.

Despite the senator's high fever he slept fairly well last night. It has been necessary at intervals to administer stimulants to the patient as a means of maintaining his failing strength. That he responds readily to the action of the stimulants is regarded by his physicians as a favorable sign. The physicians are encouraged also by the fact that Senator Hanna's vital organs continue to perform well their functions. The nourishment given him he retains and good results have followed. No irritability of the stomach has been noticed since Wednesday night.

At the conclusion of the examination this morning a process which is necessarily weakening—the senator was given a sponge bath. This had the effect of reducing his temperature for a time and he fell into a natural sleep.

The fact that Senator Hanna's illness has reached the serious if not the critical stage has brought hundreds of inquiries from friends in every part of the country. Scores of his colleagues in the senate and in the house of representatives called at the hotel last night and today and inquired solicitously for the latest news from the bedside of the distinguished patient.

President Roosevelt was among the first of the anxious inquirers as to the senator's condition. Dr. Rixey conveys promptly and regularly to the president the results of the physicians' examination of the patient.

It has been decided to send for the senator's son, Daniel Hanna, who is in Cleveland.

KEGS OF LAGER

It Takes Nine to Celebrate a Polish Engagement

According to Antonio Dusza's version the engagement of a Polish couple is more important, so far as festivities are concerned, than is the wedding.

Antonio was in police court today charged with illegally exposing and keeping for sale intoxicating liquors and he pleaded not guilty.

The Polish interpreter was the go-between—that is, he ironed out the rough spots in Antonio's speech and prepared it for the court. The Polish interpreter's name is Matthew Stein and he is very clever at making good English out of any old thing a Pole says.

Several kegs of beer were found at Antonio Dusza's house on the evening of Feb. 3 by the liquor squad. He said he had it for the sole purpose of treating his friends.

"Why did you have so many kegs—nine in all, I believe?" asked the court.

"Because of the engagement," came the reply, and then the interpreter explained that it is a national custom with the Poles to hoop 'er up as soon as an engagement is announced.

"If you have nine kegs for the engagement how many do you have for a wedding?" asked the court.

"Three kegs," said the interpreter, grabbing the words away from the witness.

"The engagement is more important than the wedding," remarked the court, and the interpreter allowed that it was.

Dusza was found guilty and a fine of $75 was imposed.

When Antonio heard the sentence he showed signs of feeling very badly. He spoke to the interpreter complainingly.

"What did he say?" asked Deputy Welch.

"He says he thinks a $75 fine is an injustice."

"Can't help what he thinks about it," said the court.

"He says he hasn't got the money," said the interpreter.

"Take him down stairs," said the deputy, and slowly but surely Antonio was lowered to the floor where box stalls are provided for human beings.

TRADE CONDITIONS

REPORTED FROM DIFFERENT SECTIONS OF COUNTRY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Special telegrams from correspondents of the International Mercantile Agency throughout the United States and Canada show that extreme cold weather is responsible for the check to distribution of merchandise by railways, notwithstanding which the total volume of the same is greater at St. Louis and at St. Paul than a year ago. Baltimore bankers and merchants are actively at work to minimize the percentage of spring trade which will be deflected to Philadelphia and New York by the burning out of the heart of the city's business district. Thousands are at temporary locations picking up the threads of business. Orders have already been sent to New York for dry goods and to Pittsburg for structural steel.

War in the Orient has ceased to influence the domestic stock market, but it has advanced prices of silk, tea, beef, pork, wheat, and by sympathy other cereals. The money market has not thus far responded much to the forthcoming withdrawal of government funds to meet anticipated Panama canal payments, nor to the extraordinary heavy demands for accommodation by railroads and other corporations. Sales of Americans by London and the continent have left stocks dull and weaker.

There is more request for structural and other forms of steel and orders for rails placed by the Harriman roads at full pool prices point to the likelihood of $28 a ton being maintained.

There is a more favorable prospect for the mills in the reactions in raw cotton since February 1. The government report of cotton ginned to the middle of January dissipates the bull claims of a total crop of only 9,400,000.

Greatly needed rains have fallen in southern California and elsewhere in the southwestern region. Minneapolis looks for increased exports over northwestern railroads to the Orient.

FRANK LOOMIS DEAD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Frank Loomis, for many years special counsel for the New York Central and Hudson River railroad, is dead at his home here. He was prominent in democratic circles and a leading member of the New York bar.

SPRUNG A LEAK

SCHOONER HENRY WHITNEY WILL HAVE TO BE BEACHED.

BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me., Feb. 12—The schooner Henry Whitney, bound from Wiscasset to New York with a cargo of lumber, has sprung a leak and partly filled with water after having been frozen in the harbor two weeks. She will be beached and repaired as soon as possible.

The packet Effort has arrived here from Monhegan island where she was ice-bound for three days. She reported there was no scarcity of provisions or fuel at Monhegan.

PENSIONS FOR EMPLOYES.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12—Statistics compiled by the pension department of the Pennsylvania railroad show that in the four years the organization has been in operation, $1,224,087 has been expended for the relief of those entitled to consideration. The report gives the following yearly distributions:

1903, $360,374; 1902, $325,403; 1901, $292,-290; 1900, $244,019. These expenditures do not include the cost of the department's operation which is paid by the company.

In the four years' operation of the pension plan, 2126 employes have been retired as pensioners from the active service of the company. Of these 527 have died. Of the total number retired 426 were between the ages of 65 and 69 years. Of the total number retired 243 were retired upon their own request and with the approval of the employing officer.

MR. BRINE ENTERTAINED.

Mr. John J. Brine of High street entertained a few male friends at his cosy home, last evening. Music and good cheer prevailed throughout the evening.

"MAJOR" TAYLOR

Is the Real Thing in Australia

LAWSON AND McFARLAND ARE OUT OF IT

When the Colored Wonder Is On Deck

"Major" Taylor has had a variety of experiences since he landed in Australia, but on the whole has been doing good work. Incidentally Lawson and McFarland have learned that it is not as easy to play tricks on the negro in the antipodes as it is here. McFarland was suspended for a month by the Australian authorities for cutting off Taylor in order to help Lawson, but he has since been reinstated.

Taylor, after being only two days in Australia, competed in a mile handicap against all the strongest men in that country. Taylor was put on scratch, and he ran away from the field, getting the jump on his opponents when it came to the sprint. The same day the "Major" started in a mile open, and won this event handily. The reception accorded to the "Major" is said to have been more spectacular than that of his previous visit. The most influential people in the country turned out to greet him, and the "Major's" great showing caused delight.

Four days after his first appearance in Australia he competed in a three-cornered match race, in which Iver Lawson and Floyd McFarland were the other starters. McFarland was in the race with the intention of teaming it with Lawson, in order to have Taylor defeated. After escaping several pockets that had been prepared for him, the "Major" brought thousands of spectators to their feet when he jumped the pair and got his sprint under way before Lawson and McFarland realized what had happened.

The "Major's" victory in this race was so sensational that he has since been in demand everywhere, as Lawson and McFarland, with the other American riders, had been cleaning up everything in Australia until the Worcester man landed and got his wheel in motion.

The latest advices from the land of the kangaroo report the results of a meeting at Sydney, New South Wales. Lawson won the mile race and Taylor was second. Lawson was first in the three-mile contest and Taylor again second. Taylor was first in the five-mile race with McFarland second. Taylor was first in the ten-mile race, in which Lawson was second.

Before the races the disqualification against McFarland was removed and he was subjected to a fine.

The "Major" plans to be in France in April, and about the 15th of that month he will race there. On the last visit of the "Major" to Paris about eighty-five thousand persons paid admission to a race meet where he was entered. This season the Parisians are wild over the sport, and an even larger crowd is possible.

Under the terms of his New Zealand contract "Major" Taylor must be prepared to ride three races per week during its currency, and he will receive $1000 and his travelling expenses, exclusive of prizes he may win. It is characteristic of the negro that he stipulated by cable that he should not be required to race on Sunday or Christmas Day. As there is no Sunday racing in Australia, this demand was easily met.

STORMY SESSION

OF NATIONAL BASE BALL COMMISSION.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12—After a story executive session which lasted for five hours the national baseball commission adjourned last night until noon today without reaching any decision on the question of New York American league club's playing Sunday base ball in Ridgewood park on Long Island next season. Considerable routine business was transacted.

SULLIVAN WON

Some Fast Boxing in Lawrence

LAWRENCE, Feb. 12.—Before a well attended meeting of the West End A. C. last night Tommy Sullivan of Lawrence obtained the decision over Jig Stone of Boston at the expiration of 12 fast rounds full of dashing fighting. Stone was outweighed by his bulky opponent by 15 pounds, but he fought back gamely, and though Sullivan obtained the decision on points, a draw would have better satisfied the members.

Sullivan continually played a tattoo on Stone's face and it was considerably swollen at the end of the bout. To offset this, Stone used left and right swings, and in the second round he nearly put Sullivan out with a corking right on the point of the jaw, but by good stalling Sullivan managed to stay the round, and in the next he came back much refreshed after the minute's rest. Sullivan proved to be very clever and his long left kept Stone bewildered throughout the bout.

In the sixth round Sullivan let loose and Jig was on the run throughout. Stone fought back as best he could, but the weight of Sullivan told in the end.

Three preliminaries preceded the star go of the evening. In the first Kid Cahill and Kid Silver put up a very fast exhibition of six rounds, and the referee's decision was a draw.

The semi-final bout of the evening was between Lou Brooks of Boston and Albert Dedmont of Medford. The bout brought as good boxing as the final, and the little men fought fast throughout. The decision in this event was also a draw.

The only knockout of the evening took place in the bout between Eddie Nolan of Lawrence and Pocahontas of Boston, the colored man landing a right swing in the middle of the fourth round and the white boy took the count.

Martin Flaherty of Lowell was referee and Lindley Roberts of Brooklyn was timekeeper.

FORBES KNOCKED OUT.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 12.—What was to have been a 20-round fight between Kid Herman and Clarence Forbes, both of Chicago, before the Missouri Athletic club last night, terminated in the sixth round after Forbes had twice been sent to the floor, the last time knocked clean out.

HER KITTENS

Little Girl Ran Away With Them

Wildflower Weed is a rather romantic name and the little girl who enjoys it is both cute and romantic. She is 12 years old and she came to Lowell from Somerville yesterday. She arrived in this city late in the evening and the only recommendation she had to offer was a glance from eyes that would go blind rather than to deceive, and a pair of kittens that she loves "best of all."

This introduction does not do the Somerville Wildflower justice. She is wise beyond her years and she left home not because she loved it less, but her kitties more. Wildflower and her kitties were in the waiting room at Carter & Sherburne's for more than two hours before they attracted any particular attention, and interest would not have centered in the little girl but for the fact that the cats seemed a bit displeased with their quarters and made many vigorous attempts to free themselves.

When asked to account for herself and the cats, Wildflower said that she left her happy home in Somerville because her mother had threatened to chloroform her pets. "I'm going to my uncle's house in St. Louis," she said. "My mama has been awfully good to me but she doesn't like my kitties. My aunt, down in Maine, gave the cats to me last summer and I have played with them more than I have with anybody else in the whole world. I loves them best of all."

Wildflower's childish prattle attracted the attention of Inspector Walsh and he decided that he would take the little girl to the police station and find out all about her. Wildflower had no objections to offer and when asked to take a walk she grabbed up the baskets containing the kittens and went along.

She told the story of her life to Captain Kew, and after she had been tucked away, with her kittens, in the detention room, Captain Kew telephoned to the Somerville police and told them all about her.

The Somerville police went to Wildflower's home at 92 Wheatland street and told her papa that she was in this city. The news brought great relief to her parents. She is their only child and the fear she entertains relative to the untimely destruction of her kitties, her papa says, is all fudge. He said he would come to Lowell today and take his Wildflower home.

VALENTINE PARTY

IN AID OF ST. LOUIS' CHURCH LAST EVENING.

A delightful valentine and whist party was held in Foisy hall, corner of West Sixth street and Lilley avenue, last evening, for the benefit of St. Louis' church and it was a grand success.

Each lady brought a valentine which was auctioned off to the gentlemen, a fair whist partner going with each valentine. The valentine bringing the highest price went for $2 to Mr. Eli Delisle and his partner consequently was Mrs. Ambroise Vigeant. Ten of the valentines sold for over $1 and the sale realized $25.

The winners of the whist prizes were Mr. Dolphis Demers, hat, given by Mr. Jos. Delorme; Mrs. Demers, vase, gift of Frank Ricard; Mr. George Lanziere, locket, gift of Mrs. Frank Brogan; Miss Bernadette Asselin, penknife, gift of Mr. Frank Brogan. Miss Henriette Boisvert and Mr. J. C. Ellenu won the boobies.

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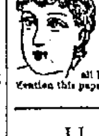

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EXTRA

5 O'CLOCK

STOLE A SKIRT

Sarah Cohen Pleaded Not Guilty

WEIGHT OF EVIDENCE WAS AGAINST HER

Man Lied to Judge Hadley

Sarah Cohen, 17, in police court today pleaded not guilty to the larceny of a skirt from the card room in the Appleton mill. The odds were against Sarah, however, and she was found guilty. A fine of $12 was imposed.

Despite the fact that two witnesses said they saw Sarah take the skirt, she told Judge Hadley that she didn't touch it. Sarah's father, Patrick Cohen, was in court and acted as counsel for his girl.

Patrick asked one witness for the government how far the skirt was hanging from the floor. "How high up did it hang?" he asked. The witness held his hand above his head to describe the distance.

"She can't never reach it," said Patrick.

"What is that?" asked the court.

"It is too high up for Sarah," said Patrick.

Sarah Cohen is a very pretty little girl and she looked very innocent as she told her story to Judge Hadley, but her phraseology didn't appeal to the court. "A girl would be crazy to swipe a skirt like that," was one of her remarks.

JUGGLED THE TRUTH.

If Bernard J. Lee had told Judge Hadley the whole truth and nothing but the truth yesterday morning he would be a free man today, but instead his address for the next three months will be the common jail.

Bernard was in court yesterday morning and pleaded not guilty to a complaint charging him with larceny. His frankness impressed the court and Bernard was asked if he had ever been arrested before. After some hesitation he said he had been arrested twice for drunkenness in Somerville. He gave the name of a Somerville patrolman that he said knew him very well. Lieut. Donaldson telephoned to the officer, whose name Bernard gave, and found that Bernard had been arrested nine times for drunkenness within the last seven years. When Judge Hadley found out that Bernard had lied to him he told the clerk to sentence him to three months in jail.

BOY CHARGED WITH ASSAULT.

John Lough, 12, was charged with assault and battery on Hugh P. Maguire, a boy of the same age. The Lough boy's father appeared for him and asked that the case be continued to tomorrow. The continuance was granted. Both boys live in Dracut.

MORE STATE CHARGES.

Harry W. Shepard, 11, was turned over to the state board of charity and minor wards. Harry Shepard is the boy who was deserted by his father and mother a few weeks ago. It was at first thought that his parents had gone to Barre Plains, but a few days after Harry's plight was made known to the police his mother was arrested for drunkenness. His father did go to Barre Plains, but they have not heard from him.

John J. Blight was also turned over to the state for safe keeping. John is a bright appearing lad. His father and mother are in jail and the boy was growing up in neglect.

REAY BROTHERS FINED.

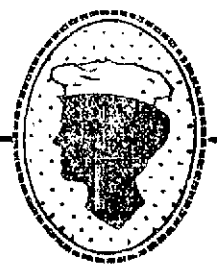
Powell and Thomas Reay, brothers, charged with drunkenness, were fined $15 each. The Reay brothers were on the warpath yesterday and made things a bit lively in Dutton street. They cast their "chaws" in various directions and some of their victims saw stars.

SPECIAL MEETING

OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN CALLED FOR MONDAY.

Mayor Howe has called a meeting of the board of aldermen for Monday afternoon to draw jurors.

Mohairs' Valentine party, Saturday night, Odd Fellows' temple.



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IOWA TRUST LAW

Declared to be Unconstitutional

WATERLOO, Iowa, Feb. 12.—In a decision sustaining a demurrer in the case of the state of Iowa against the Illinois Central, the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, the Great Western railway, indicted on a charge of conspiracy in fixing the amount of demurrage charges, Judge Franklin C. Platt in the district court, has declared the Iowa trust law unconstitutional and finds for the defendant railways.

Last August the three railways leading into Waterloo fixed a demurrage charge of $2 for every 24 hours a freight car was delayed in excess of 48 hours. It was believed the railways were thereby amenable to a section of the code which provides that any persons or corporations entering into an agreement to fix the price of any article of merchandise or commodity shall be guilty of conspiracy.

Another section provides as a penalty a fine of not less than one or more than 20 per cent. of the capital stock of the offending company or person. This section of the law, Judge Platt declares, is in contravention of the fourteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States and consequently unconstitutional.

Under this section the minimum fine which could be imposed on the three railways would be $2,280,000 of which the county attorney would receive $450,000. The Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific being an Illinois corporation would also forfeit its franchise in Iowa if convicted under this charge and the fine imposed might reach the enormous figure of $19,995,000.

In the opinion, Judge Platt says:

"A law which requires a man who is possessed of $1,000,000 to pay a fine of $100,000, while for the same offense a man possessed of $1000 is subject to a penalty of but $100, would be destructive of the foundation upon which constitutional law must rest, yet such is the effect of this section.

TEMPORARY INJUNCTION

AGAINST THE INTERNATIONAL PRESSMEN'S UNION.

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—A temporary injunction against the International Pressmen's and Assistants' union was issued today by Justice Loring in the supreme judicial court of Massachusetts by which the defendants are restrained from bringing about a sympathetic strike in connection with that of the job compositors in this city. The injunction was asked by the United Typothetae of America. The members of the Boston branch of this organization are the proprietors of the printing plants where 250 or more compositors are out and where over 100 pressmen have struck in sympathy.

UNDER AN ENGINE

OLDEST ENGINEER IN THE U. S. CRUSHED TO DEATH.

MEADVILLE, Col., Feb. 12.—William Miller, 71 years old, probably the oldest engineer in service in the United States, has been crushed to death under his engine while making some repairs on the Rio Grande road. Miller began railroading 52 years ago on the Reading.

GERMAN CRUISER

TO TAKE AWAY GERMANS FROM CHEFOO.

BERLIN, Feb. 12.—The German cruiser Hansa left Chefoo today for Port Arthur to bring away the German women and children from that port.

GRAND ARMY FLAG DAY.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 12.—Elaborately planned programs in the public schools and the official state observance by the general assembly in the representative chamber at the state house, comprised the chief feature of the observance of Lincoln's birthday in Rhode Island today. The day is known as "Grand Army flag day" in the schools and the scholars listened to addresses by civil war veterans. Gov. Garvin presided over the exercises at the Capitol and the chief orator of the day was Rev. Clay MacCauley of this city.

TO STOP "POT HUNTING."

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 12.—The League of American Sportsmen has adjourned to meet in Seattle in June, 1905. Resolutions were adopted favoring the enactment of a new law governing the Ohio fish and game commission; declaring against spring shooting in any of the states and favoring the enactment of laws in all states requiring foreign born unnaturalized persons to secure a license before they can hunt. This is aimed to put an end to "pot hunting."

Following the adjustment of the league, an organization was effected of the national association of fish and game wardens and commissioners. Their purpose is the prosecution of law breakers and the compiling of decisions touching their work in protecting fish and game.

RICHARD HARDING DAVIS.

MARION, Mass., Feb. 12.—Richard Harding Davis has been appointed commissioner from Venezuela to the World's Fair at St. Louis, this year. The appointment was made by Senor Gustavo of Samavria, minister of foreign affairs, at the request of President Castro. Mr. Davis, whose home is in this town, has written much concerning Venezuela and is viewed as a warm friend of the country by President Castro.

FAILURE IN LONDON.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The failure of William Rae Morrison, a jobber in American securities, was announced today on the stock exchange.

CRASHED INTO CAR

(Continued.)

the left hand side of the truck. Motorman Noah P. Batchelder and Conductor Eugene Malone had charge of the car which figured in the accident. The collision occurred nearly opposite the storehouse of the American Bolt shop in Lawrence street, and Captain Gibson was crushed between the truck and the car, while Fireman Brown was thrown from his seat at the tiller to the ground but escaped without dangerous injury. The grab rail on the side of the car was badly bent, but the truck escaped injury.

The driver of the truck blames the motorman for the accident and on the other hand the motorman blames the driver of the truck.

DWYER'S STORY.

The following is the story told by Driver Dwyer of the truck company: "At 5.34 an alarm from box 57 sounded, and after making a quick hitch I jumped to my position on the front seat; Brown was on the rear seat holding the tiller, while Captain Gibson jumped on the front step on the left side of the truck. Swinging out of the firehouse we went into Lawrence street and upon reaching the curve at the junction of Andrews, Agawam and Lawrence streets I noticed that there was an electric car in the turnout near the corner of Watson street. During the bad conditions of the streets we have had to use the car tracks and I expected that the motorman would give me the right of way and stay in the turnout until I struck it, when I could take the curve to the right and get by with plenty of room to spare. The truck was lighted with the regulation number of lanterns, but fearing that the motorman might not see us coming, I clanged the bell from the moment I turned the corner until the collision occurred. Feeling confident that the motorman saw me coming I started the horses at a rapid clip down the hill and it was not until I had passed the railroad track that I noticed that the car had started up and was coming towards me at a good rate of speed. Knowing that a collision would result if I held to the track I gave my horses a quick pull and partially stopping them swung the front wheels clear of the track and I felt the rear wheels leave the track when the car crashed into the side of the truck.

"I managed to hold my seat when the shock occurred but Brown was thrown from his seat and Capt. Gibson was wedged between the side of the truck and the car."

WHAT MOTORMAN SAYS.

On the other hand Motorman Batchelder and Conductor Malone claim that their car was at a standstill when the accident occurred. It is claimed by the motorman that he did not see the truck or have any warning of its approach until after he had left the turnout. As soon as he discovered the wagon coming he brought his car to a standstill, he says, expecting that the driver of the truck would pull his wagon out of the car tracks and pass him.

He would have reversed his power and backed the car, he said, but for the fact that there were two cars behind him, three cars making the early trip. The motorman claims that he did all in his power to avert an accident. Another story told by the street railway is that when the driver of the truck pulled out of the car track the pole of the wagon struck a telegraph pole which threw the truck against the car and threw Capt. Gibson off the step.

Immediately after the accident Capt. Gibson was placed on the electric car and taken to the Lawrence street fire house, where he was placed in bed and Dr. Edward J. Welch was summoned. Upon the arrival of the doctor an examination showed that Gibson was suffering from a broken collar bone. The patient is resting comfortably at the present writing.

The fire to which the truck was responding when the accident occurred was in one of Robert G. Bartlett's houses in Williams street. The fire started in the attic near the chimney and it was at first thought that the fire was caused by the chimney, but an investigation showed that it must have started from some other source.

When the department arrived the fire was burning in a brisk manner and a considerable portion of the roof was burned before the fire was placed under control.

Fred. C. Church had the insurance on the property.

CAPTAIN ALBERT H. GIBSON.

OFFICERS INSTALLED

BY CLUB FRONTENAC LAST EVENING.

The Club Frontenac held last evening at its rooms in the Vincent building, the installation of its officers for the ensuing year, elected at the first regular assembly in January. A large number of the members were present, and several interesting speeches were made. Mr. L. P. Turcotte and Dr. H. E. Laugis were the installing officers.

The officers installed were J. W. Paradis, Sr., president; L. P. Turcotte, vice president; H. A. Toupin, secretary, Alphonse Bibeault, treasurer; Camille Houssin, collector; Hubert Denault, Joseph Roy, Evaris Paquette, Joseph Marin, board of directors. The chairman of this last named board is Mr. Turcotte, vice president of the club.

WILL NOT OPEN

MADISON SQUARE THEATRE MAY REMAIN CLOSED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—It is reported that efforts are about to be given up in the direction of reopening the Madison Square theatre. The house which has been the scene of many successes, was closed recently, by order of the mayor, pending certain alterations deemed necessary for the protection of patrons. These changes, it is understood, would necessitate an expenditure deemed prohibitive to the commercial success of the theatre and the firm holding the lease is said to be negotiating for its cancellation.

Three other theatres closed by the authorities have completed alterations and reopened.

NEW HARDWARE FIRM

TO START BUSINESS ON MARKET STREET.

Messrs. Ervin B. Smith and Frank C. Lawrence, who have for a number of years been employed in the Thompson Hardware Co., as clerks, have launched out for themselves, and have leased the large store at 47 Market street, formerly occupied by W. T. Bradley, and in a short time will open to the public one of the best and most completely stocked hardware stores in this city. These young men have had a schooling in this line of business for more than ten years, having graduated from C. B. Coburn's store on Market street and the Thompson Hardware Co., so that they are familiar with every line of the business in all its details from a to z. The building in which they will conduct their business is very centrally located and they will have ample floor space. They have already started to remodel the interior of the building, and they will occupy the main floor as well as the three floors above and the basement. The store has a frontage of 22 feet and a depth of 50 feet, making in all an area of about 3000 square feet. These young men while acting as clerks for these two large business houses have an acquaintance with a large number of people in the city and suburbs, who on learning they have launched out for themselves will be pleased to visit their establishment which will be open for business in a very short time.

We are always pleased to see our young men entering in business on their own account, and we wish them success in their new enterprise.

MASTER PAINTERS MEET.

TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 12.—The master painters and decorators of the United States and Canada have adjourned to meet in Milwaukee next year. John Dewar, Pittsburg, was elected president; O. S. Ross, Chicago, vice president and W. C. Wall, secretary-treasurer and chief organizer. An executive committee was also chosen.

SHE WAS DYING

Consumption's Deadly Grasp Broken by Blood Wine.

Mr. S. Raynor, 1256 Third St., S. E., Washington, D. C., says:

"In August last my daughter Elsie was taken with the typhoid fever; she was in the care of two physicians for about two months, expecting her to die every day. After the fever broke both doctors said it had left her with consumption, and that it was only a question of a few days, and that they could do nothing more for her. She then could not raise her hands over her head. My wife suggested that we try 'Blood Wine,' as the doctors had ceased to give her any medicine. We commenced the 'Blood Wine' with excellent results. After taking the first bottle she got out of bed and sat in an invalid chair, and after the second bottle she came downstairs and kept on improving right along until she had taken six bottles, and now she is as well and strong as she ever was in her life, and if you should see her you would not think there were any signs of consumption."

Read what Mr. Peter Berry of Pearl St., Augusta, Me., who was a very sick man, says:

"A very hard cold settled on my lungs, causing a most obstinate cough that no medicine given me would relieve. During many months I suffered untold misery, my lung trouble growing worse. My physician was baffled and finally told me I would have to go to a warmer climate. I saw 'Blood Wine' advertised and decided to try it. After taking it regularly I was greatly pleased with its results and am now well. My astounding recovery was a surprise to my physicians. Those whom I have since advised to use it believe with me that it is the greatest medicine in the world."

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RUSSIAN-JAPANESE WAR

Continued

RUSSIA ALARMED

COAL CARGOES STOPPED

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—Nine thousand soldiers and 22,000 tons of military stores are waiting at Sevastopol for transportation to the fast east.

The Russian ministry of marine, particularly the Grand Duke Alexander Mikhailovitch, are much annoyed that the admiral commanding the Russian Pacific squadron allowed himself to be surprised. Alexeyeff comes in for a share of the reproach.

The public generally displays anxiety but confidence reigns in military circles. Sober public opinion continues to view the war with apprehension. Prince Ukhtomsky says the opinions of thousands upon thousands of Russians is that the war with Japan will be useless, without result and will advantage none but western Europeans.

It is reported from Glasgow that the Russian government is stopping the shipment of coal to the far east, and in some cases ordering coal at sea to be discharged at the nearest Russian port. A similar report comes from Cardiff. London merchants who have been acting for the Russian government are taking measures to divert cargoes now en route to Port Arthur, in order to prevent the Japanese capturing them.

BALTIC FLEET WILL BE USELESS

LONDON, Feb. 12.—At the Japanese legation last night no great importance was attached to the report that the Russian Baltic squadron is going to the far east.

It was explained that even were the report true, the fleet would not reach the scene of operations under six weeks, by which time the situation might have changed materially. In any case it was said the Japanese navy would be quite ready to meet the ships.

It was also pointed out at the legation that since Great Britain has declared her neutrality, and as most of the coaling ports east of Suez are British, the Russian men-of-war will experience great difficulties in coaling, or be hindered by necessity of having colliers accompany them.

MANY STATEMENTS CONCERNING BATTLE

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Statements of all kinds concerning the Port Arthur fight were published here this morning.

According to the Chefoo correspondent of the Daily Mail the lack of preparation on the part of the Russians at Port Arthur was due to the fact that all the naval and military officers were attending a circus performance in Port Arthur, which did not terminate until early Tuesday morning.

According to the correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald at Chefoo, the Japanese torpedo boats succeeded in entering the outer harbor by a ruse; they used the Russian flash lights signals. This correspondent adds that three Japanese torpedo boats were sunk with great loss of life.

A correspondent of the Standard at Tokio sends in this morning an entirely new account of the Port Arthur encounter. He says Admiral Togo's fleet arrived on Monday night and found the Russian squadron drawn up in battle formation outside the harbor and under the shadow of the forts, the destroyers being spread out in front over a distance of five miles. Admiral Togo decided on a night attack and opened fire at 11 o'clock. While the cannonade was hottest a number of Japanese torpedo boats crept along close inshore at the foot of the cliff and succeeded in the darkness in getting between the Russian ships and the land. Here they lay unnoticed until the Russians began to give way before the Japanese fire and sought to re-enter the harbor. The Japanese torpedo boats then opened fire at comparatively close range and sunk two battleships and one cruiser close to the entrance of the harbor. The effect of this coup was the retreat of the remainder of the squadron into the harbor. All was safe on board the Japanese ships at noon of Tuesday, the correspondent concludes, and the engagement was still in progress.

VICEROY ALEXIEFF REPORTS DAMAGE DONE

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—The czar yesterday received a telegram from Viceroy Alexieff describing the damage done to the Russian warships during the bombardment by the Japanese fleet at Port Arthur. It says:

"The Czarevitch and Pallada were brought into the harbor Tuesday. The Retvizan is making temporary repairs to a hole. Repairs to the battleships are so complicated that it is difficult to say when they will be ready. The Pallada and Novik will be docked in turn and expect them to be ready in a fortnight. All the other vessels injured in the fight are now repairing and coaling in the harbor. I expect them to be ready in three days.

"The wounded officers, Lieut. Col. Zaiontchkovsky, of the artillery corps, and Lieut. Petrof are doing well. Four of the wounded have died. A majority of the injured belonged to the cruiser Pallada and their injuries are due to gases from the explosion of a melinite torpedo. A careful search by cruisers and torpedo boats yesterday and last night has not revealed the presence of the enemy."

It is officially announced that no news has been received here of the fight at Chemulpo, the landing of Japanese or the blowing up of a bridge on the Manchurian railroad.

DOWAGER EMPRESS TO RED CROSS

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—The dowager empress has issued a rescript to the Red Cross of Russia directing it to make provision to alleviate the sufferings of the wounded in the war with Japan. A branch of the Red Cross has been established in the new hermitage of the winter palace. The offers of services have been so numerous that no more will be entertained at present. A continuance of the patriotic demonstrations in which thousands of students and workmen participate is reported from Moscow, Kieff and other places.

JAPANESE LEAGUE ISSUES MANIFESTO

HONOLULU, Feb. 12.—The Central Japanese league on advice of Japanese Consul Niki Saito has caused the following manifesto to Japanese subjects in Hawaii to be distributed through all the islands: "All subjects of the emperor in Hawaii are to regulate their conduct with due regard to the obligation of belligerent subjects in neutral territory. If the reserves are called for it will be the high privilege of the reservists in Hawaii immediately to respond, taking special care to make preparations to be ready to return to Japan in as quiet and calm a manner as in time of peace."

FIRST BATTLE OFF PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12.—A despatch from Chefoo says that out of the four Japanese torpedo boats which made the first attack Monday night at Port Arthur, three were sunk with great loss of life. The fourth was a 28-knot boat and escaped. The Japanese torpedo boats effected an entrance into the outer harbor by using the Russian signal flashlights. Consequently, the Russians did not fire on them. The following account of the first surprise is from a Russian naval officer:

"The battleship Pallada was on the outside edge of the Russian fleet, and on duty that night. The chief artillery officer noticed four torpedo boats approach with full lights and in all respects like Russian torpedo boats. The officer informed his captain that the approaching boats were Japanese. The captain denied this and said they were built in Port Arthur. The artillery officer insisted that they were Japanese, and the captain became angry, saying: "I am in command of the ship, sir."

Despite this the artillery officer gave orders to prepare for action. Immediately after the Japanese launched a torpedo, but the Pallada was able to retaliate instantly, and the other Russian ship cleared for action.

It is reported now that the Japanese attempted a landing near Behrezo, 80 miles north of Port Arthur, but were repulsed with heavy loss. They again tried to effect a landing at Tollenwan under the shelter of the fleet, but owing to the strong fort firing they were unable to succeed.

It is said that one Japanese ship has been torpedoed.

The British merchant ships in Port Arthur have repeatedly applied for permission to leave port, but this has been refused.

The Czarevitch was towed into the harbor here at 3 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. It is said only her outer bottom was penetrated by the Japanese torpedo, and Russians are now busy repairing her. She can be repaired in two or three days.

The Pallada is still outside and beached. She must be severely injured but she is now also being repaired. She is the only one of the torpedoed vessels now outside.

A shell struck the hospital ship outside the basin during the bombardment. The captain's cabin and the chart room were blown off, but there was no loss of life, as the ship was only recently purchased and was unmanned.

The foreigners in Port Arthur were notified at 7 o'clock on Monday night, but the British steamers have been forbidden to leave. One German steamer arrived at Chefoo today, the first to get here from Port Arthur since the Columbia reached here after the battle.

On Wednesday the Japanese tried to land at Pigeon's bay, near Port Arthur. Thirty-six Japanese vessels were then there. It is not known if the attempt succeeded.

Thousands of persons are leaving Port Arthur daily by train. There is not even standing room in the cars.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon the Russian transport Smolensk and torpedo boat No. 211 entered the canal. Torpedo boat No. 222 has broken down and is repairing here. The Russian rouble has gone down 24 per cent. at Chefoo among the Chinese merchants.

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PANAMA TREATY

Vote Will be Taken Next Week

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The senate will vote on the Panama canal treaty on some day between Feb. 15 and 23. An agreement was reached in executive session today to take action on Monday next to decide upon a time for voting on the treaty and it was determined that such date should be on or before Feb. 23.

IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—At the beginning of the session today the senate adopted a joint resolution authorizing a survey to determine whether a tidewater ship canal across the state of Florida is feasible.

The senate then at 12.32 p. m., on motion of Mr. Cullom went into executive session for the consideration of the Panama canal treaty.

IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—When the house convened today Mr. Foss (Ill.) chairman of the naval affairs committee, reported the naval appropriation bill. Consideration of the senate amendment to the urgent deficiency appropriation bill which was pending when the house adjourned yesterday was resumed. The pending amendment was the proposed loan of $4,000,000 to the Louisiana purchase exposition.

Mr. Crumpacker (Ind.) and Mr. Barthold (Mo.) spoke in favor of the loan.

Mr. Hinshaw (Neb.) said the money would be better applied if given to the rural free delivery carriers throughout the country or to the old soldiers of the union instead of to the St. Louis fair. He opposed the loan.

Mr. Burkett (Neb.), said the money should be used in constructing public buildings and complained that telegrams had come telling members how to vote. Mr. Burkett in opposing the loan said they had been taught economy and added:

"I say it is a wrong time now under the force of all this great lobby which has been at work around these halls and which sits in these galleries and looks down upon and watches our every action and which has even started the telegraph wires to hum toward every man who dares stand up and protect the treasury against raids that have been made from this section."

Mr. Smith (Iowa), and Mr. Rodenberg (Ill.), argued for the loan, while Mr. Dalzell (Pa.), Mr. Richardson (Ala.), and Mr. Lawrence (Mass.), voiced their opposition to it.

Mr. Sherman (N. Y.), announced that he was favorable to the loan. Mr. Lovering (Mass.), did likewise. Mr. Grosvenor (Ohio), said he was opposed to the proposed loan and gave his reasons.

MISS DEMPSEY ILL

FAMILY'S TRIP TO CALIFORNIA WAS ABANDONED.

Mrs. Patrick Dempsey and family of Salem street, who recently made preparations for an extended visit to southern California, have abandoned their trip on account of the sudden and serious illness of the youngest member of the family, Miss Edith Dempsey.

The family had made all preparations to leave even to disposing of their horses and closing their house when word was received that Miss Edith while visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Phelan of Lynn, had been taken suddenly ill, and her condition was such as to make a transcontinental trip out of the question.

TO FIGHT TRUST.

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—Twenty-five independent tobacco manufacturers from various parts of the country who do business in New England voted at a meeting in this city today to adopt every honorable means to combat the combination of tobacco interests in its alleged boycott of independent goods in the jobbing trade. It was arranged that a definite plan of procedure would be decided upon at another meeting to be held in the evening.

SPOT COTTON.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11—Cotton spot closed quiet, 55 points higher; middling uplands 14.80; mid gulf 15.05; sales, 100 bales.

GAS COMPANIES SUIT HEARD.

BOSTON, Feb. 11—A hearing on its merits of the suit of George W. Pepper, receiver of the Bay State Gas company of Delaware against various Boston gas companies and other defendants, including the Mercantile Trust company of New York and Receiver George D. Hallock of the Bay State Gas company of New Jersey, was begun here today before Judge Loring in the supreme judicial court. The purpose of the bill is to have the sale of the Boston gas companies to Kidder, Peabody & Co. for alleged purposes of combination, set aside on the ground that it was brought about by fraud.

ANOTHER CHANCE

For Master Printers to Get Injunction

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—After intimating that he believed the master printers were entitled to some kind of an injunction, Justice Loring gave the United Typothetae of America leave to withdraw in the supreme judicial court today, in the case of their petition to have the union pressmen of Boston restrained from striking in sympathy with the job compositors on the ground that the plaintiff's bill was defective. This action was taken, however, with the understanding that the employing printers would later present an amended petition which would be suitable to the court. Judge Loring held that the allegations of the petition were insufficient, that they would lead to confusion and that the point was not made clear whether any existing agreement had been broken, so that an injunction would be justified.

OYSTER TRADE SHORTAGE.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 11.—Owing to the ice conditions in the Providence river and tributary rivers, an extensive shortage in the oyster trade is extremely likely in the near future. Ice in the Warren and Kickemuit rivers, whence much of the oyster trade is supplied, was so thick this morning as to preclude the dredging of any of the beds and should a thaw take place, it will be a number of days before the interrupted trade can be continued to any extent.

BANK PRESIDENT RESIGNS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11—Henry W. Cannon, owing to the fact that his health requires frequent absences and desiring to relieve himself from continued responsibility, has tendered his resignation as president of the Chase National bank, which the directors accepted, and in order to continue his identification with the bank's management, elected him chairman of the board. A. B. Hepburn, the vice president of the Chase National, and formerly comptroller of the currency, was elected president. Albert H. Wiggin was elected a director and vice president to succeed Mr. Hepburn and has accepted. Mr. Wiggin was for many years prominent in banking circles in Boston.

WALL STREET GOSSIP.

10.10 a.m.—A few stocks resisted the declining tendency at the opening today but the majority went a fraction lower apparently in sympathy with the depression in foreign markets. Pennsylvania fell ⅝ and then recovered.

11 a. m.—Attempts to advance prices met no concerted resistance for a time and the rise was helped by large talking of Brooklyn Transit which benefitted it 1½. Penna. rallied a point to 114, and St. Paul, Missouri Pacific, Baltimore & Ohio, Rock Island and Amalgamated also made gains of ½ each. Free selling of New York Central and St. Paul started realizing in all quarters and the market fell back. New York Central reacted from 115 to 114 and Brooklyn Transit lost its rise. Ice pfd. gained 1 while Northwestern yielded 1 and Colorado & Southern second pfd. 1⅜. Prices rose again before 11 o'clock but business was small.

Noon—Brooklyn Transit and U. S. Steel pfd. hardened slightly but did not hold. New York Central also recovered its decline and then fell a point. Allis-Chalmers gained 1. The market generally was semi-stagnant. Losses of a point were shown by Louisville & Nashville, Delaware & Hudson and New York, Chicago & St. Louis. Hocking Valley dropped 6⅞ on two sales. Bonds were easy.

1 p. m.—The absence of any buying of consequence caused selling of selected stocks, notably Illinois Central, which fell 1½. New York Central was feverish and after scoring a full recovery got back to the lowest again. General Electric ran off 1 and Chicago Terminal pfd. 1¼, but the market generally was at a standstill.

CHAMBERLAIN GONE TO CAIRO.

LONDON, Feb. 11—Joseph Chamberlain started for Cairo, Egypt today on a prolonged holiday.

Lady Curzon of Kedleston (formerly Miss Letter of Chicago) wife of the Viceroy of India and their children arrived in London today.

FACTORIES CLOSED.

LANCASTER, Pa., Feb. 11.—The condition of the Susquehanna river from the Dauphin county line practically to the Maryland border, is most menacing. From McCall's ferry to Safe harbor there are from three to five feet of water on the tracks of the Columbia and Port Deposit railway and north of Safe harbor, to near Cresswell, the tracks are inundated at various places. The river was 15 feet above low water mark at Columbia today causing a number of industrial plants to shut down.

CARNEY SOLD OUT.

CONCORD, N. H., Feb. 11—John J. Carney of Manchester, former manager of the Concord New England league base ball team, today transferred to a local syndicate his half interest in the club. All of the stock in the association which owns the local club and franchise is now held in Concord.

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1 lb. pkg. Mince Meat 7c
4 pkgs. 25c
1 lb. pkg. Seeded Raisins 10c
1 lb. pkg. Cleaned Currants 9c
Mixed Pork ..... 7c lb.
Hand Picked Pea Beans ..... 8c qt.
Best Yellow Eye Beans ..... 10c qt.
Best Kidney Beans ..... 11c qt.
Best Green Peas ..... 7c qt.
2 lbs. Kennedy's Common Crackers 9c

2 lbs. Kennedy's Ginger Snaps 9c
Kennedy's Soda Crackers ..... 5c lb.
Kennedy's Fig Bars ..... 10c lb.
Kennedy's Tea Biscuits ..... 8c lb.
Kennedy's Graham Crackers, 10c lb.
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From Late Editions Yesterday

MAY "QUEER" IT

Legislative Committee May Not Come Here

TO GIVE A PUBLIC HEARING

As Result of Last Night's Affair

As the result of the appropriations hearing held last night it is now hardly probable that the proposed hearing by the legislative committee on the petitions to have the police commissioners appointed by the governor and to have them elected by the people will be held in this city as was originally proposed by the committee.

At the time that it was proposed some of the Lowell members of the legislature stated that public hearings in this city seldom amounted to much and advised against a local hearing but the committee was of the opinion that a better expression of opinion would be given by a hearing at Lowell and spoke to the mayor about it. His Honor promised to consider the matter and inform the committee as to the success of the hearing held last night.

This morning His Honor said to The Sun reporter: "I shall send the committee a copy of each of the local papers containing a report of the hearing and express no comment. If the committee still desires to come to Lowell for a hearing we will be pleased to receive them."

BOLD HOUSE THIEF

Failed to Locate Bank Books and Cash

Between 3 and 5 o'clock Monday afternoon, a thief, evidently familiar with the premises, took the key from under the mat at the door of Mrs. Joseph MacDonald's tenement in the Crawley block in Perry street, and ransacked the house from cellar to attic.

The thief tossed beds and clothing regardless of color or description and he carried away with him a gold watch, two gold chains and a few other articles of jewelry.

Despite the apparent thoroughness of his search, however, the thief failed to locate two bank books and $50 in cash that were laid away in a bureau drawer, secure in the environment of a towel. The police although they refuse to talk about the robbery, rather insinuate that they have a pretty good idea who did the job.

MILL TREASURERS

Have Asked for Extension of Time

Rep. W. H. I. Hayes today presented to the legislature the petition of W. S. Southworth, Charles A. Lovering and other mill treasurers, that the law requiring that the annual meeting of stockholders be held within sixty days after the close of the fiscal year, be amended so that the time will be extended to ninety days after the close of the fiscal year.

FINGERS CAUGHT

JOHN McENANEY WAS PAINFULLY HURT.

John McEnaney, residing at 375 Gorham street and employed at Simpson & Rowland's in Middle street, met with a painful accident this afternoon. He was lifting a barrel of flour off a sleigh when the barrel slipped and he had the middle and fourth fingers of his left hand jammed between the barrel and a nail which was protruding from the sleigh.

He was taken to the Emergency hospital where both fingers were dressed.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

DEPARTMENTS ARE TAKING ACCOUNT OF STOCK.

The different departments of the city are taking account of stock at the request of the auditor who wants the information for his annual report which is now in preparation.

MONTH'S MIND MASS.

A month's mind mass for the repose of the soul of the late James A. Saunders was celebrated in the chapel at Notre Dame Academy this morning by Rev. Edward F. Saunders, a brother of the deceased.

IN TEWKSBURY

LADIES' AID SOCIETY HAD A PLEASANT EVENING.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Congregational church held a very pleasant meeting last evening.

Supper was served in the vestry at 7 o'clock, the committee in charge of the supper including Mrs. Phelps, Mrs. Carley, Mrs. Minchin, Mrs. Forristall, Mrs. Clark. The entertainment was omitted, as some of those who were to have taken part in the short farce, "No Cure, No Pay," were unable to be present.

FUNERALS

NORRIS—The funeral of the late Addie F. Norris took place yesterday afternoon from her late home, 25 Walker street. Prayers were read by Rev. G. F. Kenworthy, and there was singing by Mrs. Jenkins and Mrs. Daniel Floyd. The remains were sent to Meredith, N. H., today for burial by Undertaker J. A. Welch.

JOHNSON—The funeral services of Mrs. Lucy A. Johnson were held yesterday afternoon from her late home, 678 Westford street. Rev. C. G. Fisher officiated, assisted by Dr. G. E. Martin. Singing by quartet, Mrs. Sherburne, Mrs. Gelino, Mr. Burke and Mr. Spellman. The bearers were Walter E. Edgell, Hutchins Parker, Allen Parker, Marcus Cole, Coolidge Bennett and Roy Bennett. There was a profusion of flowers.

Burial was in the Edson cemetery, J. A. Weinbeck in charge.

DULLIGAN—The funeral of the late Thomas H. Dulligan took place this morning at 9 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Undertaker C. H. Molloy in Market street. A high mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Peter's church at 9.30 o'clock by Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan. The choir under the direction of Mr. John Warburton sang the Gregorian mass and during the service several appropriate selections were rendered by members of the choir.

The bearers were Messrs. Martin Heron, James Kane, John Donohoe, John Convery and Daniel McVey.

The interment was in the Catholic cemetery where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Heffernan. There was a profusion of beautiful and appropriate floral offerings in evidence, showing the esteem in which the deceased was held by his many friends and acquaintances, the following being the most prominent: Large pillow, bearing the inscription "Husband," from the wife of the deceased. There were friends present from Lawrence and Boston. The funeral was under the direction of Funeral Director Charles H. Molloy.

DUNBAR MEETING

WARD THREE REPUBLICANS ORGANIZE IN HIS SUPPORT.

With all the emphasis of robust-lunged 200 pounder and all the eloquence of a jury-subduing barrister, Frank E. Dunbar declared last night to his friends of ward three: "I am for Roosevelt."

It matters not how Bill Hayes may be, Mr Dunbar is for Roosevelt and he said so last night in a manner that left no doubt as to how he stood.

The occasion was a meeting of the ward three republicans, barring John S. Stratton, who was talking Cook wells and "evaporation" at City hall, held under the auspices of the ward three republican committee, of which Isaac E. Wotton is chairman. Mr. Dunbar was invited to be present, and being a candidate for the republican national convention he accepted the invitation and shortly after the meeting was called to order appeared in the ward room, escorted by Col. A. M. Chadwick and E. B. Conant. All the local patriots were present, from ex-Alderman John C. Wilson down to Charles Capenaud, who isn't playing in very good luck politically these days, and after Mr. Dunbar had declared himself the doubtful ones and the skeptic threw up their hands and rooted for Mr. Dunbar.

Ex-Mayor Wilson and Col. Chadwick were the first speakers and they referred to Mr. Dunbar's unquestioned ability and his good work for the party.

Mr. Dunbar declared himself a loyal republican and an ardent Roosevelt man. As such he had consented to be a candidate before any other name was mentioned for the nomination as delegate to the republican convention. He solicited the support of ward three republicans on those lines and hoped to merit their full confidence and support.

RUSSIAN STEAMER REPORTED DESTROYED

LONDON, Feb. 11.—Lloyd's agent at Shanghai cabling under date of yesterday, says it is reported and generally believed that a Japanese warship has destroyed the Russian mail steamer Mongolia, bound from Shanghai for Dalny. The cablegram adds that the three Russian warships damaged by torpedoes at Port Arthur sank.

RUSSIAN SAILORS MADE PRISONERS

LONDON, Feb. 11.—A despatch to the St. James Gazette, from Tokio under today's date says:

There are great rejoicings here at the successes of the Japanese navy. The public buildings, residences and business houses are decorated with flags. Bunting is to be seen everywhere. Tokio wears the aspect of a city of conquerors.

A number of Russian blue jackets who swam ashore after the Japanese attack on the Variag and the Korletz have been made prisoners.

Reports from Chemulpo say that both the Variag and Korletz hoisted the white flag at the last moment.

THE RUSSIAN TROOPS ARE GETTING READY

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The St. Louis Gazette correspondent at Chefoo cables that in anticipation of the return of the enemy's fleet, the Russians at Port Arthur are adopting extra defensive measures. Workmen and troops are taking down high brick buildings which, it was feared, would fall and cause loss of life in the event of a Japanese bombardment.

5000 JAPANESE ENTERED SEOUL

PARIS, Feb. 11.—The foreign office received a despatch this morning dated yesterday reporting that 5000 Japanese troops are encamped near Seoul, Korea, some of which have entered the town. It is added that quiet prevails there.

No mention is made in the despatch of the presence of the Korean emperor at the French legation, where he has been reported to have sought refuge, and, therefore, the authorities here place no credence in their report.

Regarding the announcements that Russian sailors from the Variag and Korletz, sunk by the Japanese off Chemulpo, had sought refuge on the French cruiser Pascal, which are confirmed the foreign office says the French commander offered them assistance only in the interest of humanity, that no protest on the subject has been made by the Japanese government and that the refugees will be sent to Russia. They will probably be required to give their parole not to serve again during the war.

JAPANESE TROOPS WERE REPULSED

PARIS, Feb. 11.—The Times says it has received confirmation from official sources of the report from Port Arthur that the Japanese attempted to make a landing at the bay at Port Arthur and were immediately repulsed.

SECRETARY HAY TO THE POWERS

PARIS, Feb. 11.—The Temps says the following is the substance of Secretary Hay's note to the powers on the subject of the neutrality and integrity of China:

"Consult with the government to which you are accredited with the view of learning if, in order to avoid the possible outbreak of troubles in China and to limit the prejudice of war on neutral commerce, it will not be proper to respect the neutrality of the administrative entity of China."

Mr. Hay's phrase "administrative entity" is not clear to the officials here; but they say he does not seem to mean the "integrity of China."

GERMANY'S AIMS ARE LIKE OURS

BERLIN, Feb. 11—The German foreign office says Germany's aims in the far east are identical with those of the United States, as expressed in Secretary Hay's note, regarding the neutralization of China, localizing the field of war and keeping the Chinese ports open to all traders.

THE BALTIC FLEET IS EXPECTED SOON

BERLIN, Feb. 11.—The Lokal Anzeiger says notification has been received of the proposed passage of the Russian Baltic fleet, consisting of 15 warships through the Kaiser Wilhelm canal on its way to the far east.

GREAT BRITAIN BITTERLY ASSAILED

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 11.—Repeating the charge that the Japanese attack on Port Arthur was made from Wei Hai Wei, the Novoe Vremya today bitterly assails Great Britain.

"In allowing Japan to use the harbor as a basis of operations," says the Novoe Vremya, "Great Britain violated the fundamental principles of neutrality. Wei Hai Wei must be regarded henceforth as part of Japanese territory and Great Britain has forfeited the right to participate in any deliberations over the eventual fate of the harbor."

The Novoe Vremya further holds that the case is analogous to that of the Alabama and says Russia is entitled to demand compensation from Great Britain for the losses she has suffered.

RUSSIA WANTS TO ENTER CANAL

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The report that Russia is attempting to arrange with Turkey to permit the Black Sea fleet to pass through the Dardanelles is revived and it is added that Russia is trying to secure Great Britain's consent. There is no confirmation of the report in authoritative quarters.

The Russian volunteer fleet steamer Czaritza and a torpedo boat have arrived here.

UNITED STATES NOTIFIED OF WAR

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11—Secretary Hay has now been officially notified by both Russia and Japan of the existence of war and from both have had requests that the United States remain neutral. The Russian notification was made yesterday, while the Japanese was delivered today, through Minister Takahira when he called upon Secretary Hay at the state department. The two requests will serve as a basis of the forthcoming neutrality proclamation.

It was intended to issue this early today but as some question arose concerning the application of the neutrality laws to American shipping and also to the specification of articles that might be regarded as contraband of war, it was decided that the draft should be submitted to the attorney general and the secretary of war for approval.

ALL IS QUIET AT PORT ARTHUR

PARIS, Feb. 11.—The Journal Des Bats in a special despatch from St. Petersburg announces that a bombardment of Port Arthur occurred the day before yesterday and again yesterday, and says that the Japanese fleet withdrew after having suffered severe losses. Today, it is added, all is quiet off Port Arthur.

VARIAG'S CAPTAIN BLEW UP SHIP

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The Reuter Telegram company's correspondent at Tokio in a despatch timed 9.15 p. m., yesterday says:

"Details of the Chemulpo engagement received here say the captain of the Variag remained on board his ship and blew her up after the crew escaped. Part of the crew swam to a French ship and others got ashore.

"One report says that the French warship notified Russians of the Japanese approach. The Korietz engaged the Japanese cruisers first, while the Variag protected the transports. The Korletz was soon destroyed."

MARTIAL LAW

HAS BEEN PROCLAIMED IN HONDURAS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11—The state department has been informed through some of its consuls in Honduras that a revolution is imminent in that country. Martial law has been proclaimed and a number of arrests have been made.

The state department promptly communicated with the navy department upon the subject and the result was a direction to Admiral Glass, the senior officer at Panama, to dispatch one of his warships to Honduras to protect American interests in case of uprising.

ROAD MAKERS ELECT OFFICERS.

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 11—At the American road makers' association convention today the first speaker was Gov. N. J. Bachelder of New Hampshire. The secretary reported present 129 delegates, representing 29 states of the union.

The following officers were chosen:

President, James H. MacDonald, New Haven, Conn.; treasurer, William P. Dudson, New York; secretary, W. L. Dickinson, Springfield, Mass.

The constitution of the association was changed to allow the officers to appoint a vice president from each state in the union. Papers were read by Hon. A. M. Johnson, state highway engineer of Maryland; John H. Edwards, chairman state board of public roads, Rhode Island; Hon. W. F. White, chairman of the board of supervisors, New York; F. C. Wilcox, Syracuse, N. Y.; William L. Dickinson, president of Connecticut Valley Highway association, and James W. Abbott, U. S. department of agriculture.

Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed at Goodale's Drug Store, 317 Central street, Lowell.

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MORE CRUISERS

Wanted by Naval Affairs Committee

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—In the report on the naval appropriation bill, made to the house today by Chairman Foss, of the naval affairs committee, the gauntlet thrown down by Senator Gorman, in his announced policy of internal improvements in place of naval construction, is taken up with vigor. The report says:

"The committee recommend the construction of more than the usual number of cruisers in view of the fact that last year we provided for five large battleships. This will give a better proportion to our navy.

"If we judge public sentiment aright it is in favor of the continuance of the policy of building up our navy. If we stopped now we would be left behind the leading countries of the world.

"The American people will not introduce the policy of sacrificing the American navy for internal improvements, nor is there any such necessity.

"Foremost and above all must stand considerations of national defence, maintenance of foreign policies and protection of American citizens, everywhere. The American people are not willing to lessen their influence on this hemisphere, nor forsake their interests on the other."

The appropriation for new ships for the navy as well as the completion of those now under construction, is dealt with in the report as follows:

"To complete all the ships authorized up to the present time, including their construction and machinery, armor and armament and equipment, will cost $82,718,659, which may be divided as follows:

"Construction and machinery, $46,532,450; armor and armament, $35,786,209; equipment, $400,000.

"Of this sum, we appropriate in this bill $19,826,860 for construction and machinery, and $12,000,000 for armor and armament, making a total of $31,826,860, which leaves a balance of $50,891,699 to be appropriated hereafter."

The ships authorized are:

One first class battleship of 16,000 tons, cost $5,775,000; two first class armored cruisers of 14,500 tons, cost (each) $6,505,000; three scout cruisers of not more than 3,750 tons, cost (each) $2,200,000; two colliers, to be capable of accompanying the battle fleet, to carry 5,000 tons of cargo coal, total cost each $1,250,000.

Total cost of the above program will be $29,885,000. It is left within the discretion of the secretary of the navy to build any or all of these ships in government navy yards in case it shall appear that the shipbuilding concerns have entered into any combination or understanding to deprive the government of fair and unrestricted competition in letting contracts for the construction of any of these vessels.

It is stated that the greatest naval problem of the day is the training of men for the navy—an increase of 3,000 men is provided for and a training station on the great lakes recommended. When this station is completed and the facilities for training men increased, a larged yearly increase will be demanded.

The total amount of the bill is $96,338,038.

EASTMAN ARRAIGNED

DISTRICT ATTORNEY WANTS THE BAIL INCREASED.

CONCORD, N. H., Feb. 11.—Albert H. Eastman of Berlin, indicted by the grand jury of the United States circuit court on 25 counts for the misapplication of funds, credits and moneys of the Berlin and Gorham national banks, was arraigned before Judge Edgar Aldrich in this city this afternoon.

Eastman waived the reading of the indictment and pleaded not guilty.

District Attorney Hamblett asked for an increase in bail from $10,000 to $20,000. Decision in this matter was postponed.

PRINTERS' STRIKE SPREADS.

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—The strike of seventy or more pressmen and assistants here who have gone out in sympathy with the striking job compositors, spread today to the printing plant of the George H. Ellis Co., on Congress street. Thirty pressmen, both those who manned the job and the cylinder presses, suddenly quit work and left the shop in a body. This makes the fourth printing plant to be affected by the strike of the press workers.

POPE ANNOUNCES JUBILEE.

ROME, Feb. 11.—As it is customary for each pope to pronounce a jubilee during the first year of his pontificate, Pope Pius X has issued an encyclical dated Feb. 2, proclaiming a jubilee for Feb. 15, the anniversary of the proclamation of the dogma of the immaculate conception and granting three months' indulgences.

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SENATOR HANNA

Is Reported Weaker by His Doctors

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11—Senator Hanna shows perceptible weakness today and it is quite evident that his condition is not so favorable as it was yesterday. While he has rested comparatively comfortably since 11 o'clock last night, the effect of the fever is making itself distinctly manifest.

His physicians were in consultation for nearly an hour today and the official bulletin was not issued until 1 o'clock p. m. The text of the bulletin follows:

"Senator Hanna is weaker this morning and shows the effect of the fever. His temperature at 12 o'clock, noon, was 102 2-10; pulse, 30; respiration, 28. There are no complications.

(Signed) "Drs. Hixey, Osler, Carter."

Practically the only favorable feature of the bulletin is that there are no complications in the case. Senator Hanna's temperature has increased materially since yesterday, but that is said to have been not unexpected in the regular course of the disease. His pulse has increased considerably and it is to be noted that the physicians' bulletin does not announce as ordinarily it has announced that his general condition is favorable. It is said by the physicians that the increase in the heart action is due to the weakness of the patient and is significant only of that.

Senator Hanna's weakness is positively attributed by his physicians to the regular run of the fever. Indeed they have manifested some surprise that he has been able thus far to maintain so much strength in view of his continued high temperature.

The senator's condition throughout last night was better than it was the night before. For 24 hours he has retained on his stomach the nourishment given him. This is given him now in the form of a preparation of fermented milk. During the early hours of today he slept quietly and naturally much of the time. Not the least evidence of delirium has been manifest at any time. When the climax of the fever will be reached cannot be foretold by the physicians, but it is thought to be not far distant.

GOODWIN PARDON

The Last Effort Has Failed

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—The last effort to obtain the release of Henry K. Goodwin of Lawrence, who is now serving a life sentence in the state prison for murder, failed in the house today when the adverse report of the committee on a bill to release on parole veterans of the Civil war who have served more than 15 years in state prison, was accepted without division. It was expected that there would be some controversy when the committee report came up today but no one arose either in favor or against the measure.

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MACHEN REPLIES

Accused Man Was Under Cross Examination

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.--When the postal trial was resumed today August W. Machen was still under cross examination. Mr. Conrad, for the government offered in evidence letters from the Boston and Cleveland postmasters, objecting to the Groff fastener, which, he said, were not introduced for the purpose of attacking the utility of the fastener, but as showing undue activity by Machen in forcing the device on cities where they were not wanted. The first general introduction of rural free delivery boxes, Machen said, was in Carroll county, Maryland. As it was the first complete extension of the system, he said, he assumed personal supervision of the work. The boxes were necessary to make the system perfect. Previously he said, cigar boxes, bird cages and even old boots had been hung up for mail.

Replying to Mr. Conrad, Machen said that when Lorenz spoke to him on the yachting trip, regarding the fastener, he, as a postal official, had already satisfied himself as to its merits. In answer to another question Machen said that he did not upon that occasion as Lorenz's personal friend, give him any suggestion or advice about the fastener. Until the indictment was found, Machen said he did not even know the cost of manufacturing the fastener.

Mr. Conrad then branched off on the oil venture, nothing new being brought out.

TYPHOID FEVER

IS PREVALENT IN WATERTOWN, NEW YORK.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Feb. 11.--Typhoid fever is prevalent in this city. Local health officials state that there are between 150 and 200 cases and that two hospitals are crowded to overflowing. Prof. Olin H. Landstreth of Union college, a sanitary expert, will investigate the cause of the epidemic and take charge of the situation.

GONE TO FRANCE

SCHWAB MAKES TRIP IN SEARCH OF HEALTH.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.--Charles M. Schwab sailed today for France on the steamship Lorraine. Upon inquiry at Mr. Schwab's office it was stated that it had been Mr. Schwab's intention for many weeks to go to Europe for his health under the advice of his physician. It is nearly a year since Mr. Schwab returned from Europe not at all recovered in his health and with the determination then avowed of withdrawing from business responsibilities. Since his return he has been under constant strain, which rendered it imperative that he should not delay in complying with the advice of his physician. It was pointed out that Mr. Schwab had refused to absent himself so long as the shipbuilding litigation might require his presence, but that in view of the modification of the plan of reorganization of the entry of the final decree on Tuesday by Judge Kirkpatrick and the consolidation of the foreclosure proceedings he had felt at liberty to take the much needed rest.

KRUGER HANGED

PUT TO DEATH FOR KILLING A CONSTABLE.

GREENSBURG, Pa., Feb. 11.--Charles E. Kruger was hanged in the county jail yard at 10.09 o'clock today. Death resulted from a broken neck.

The crime for which Kruger, whose real name is Emil Blowsky, suffered the death penalty was the killing of Constable Harry Bierer who was sent on July 9 last to arrest Kruger on a charge of disorderly conduct.

LAWYER DAVENPORT

OBJECTED TO EIGHT-HOUR LEGISLATION.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.--Opposition was entered against pending eight-hour legislation before the house committee of labor today by Daniel Davenport, an attorney of Bridgeport, Conn. Mr. Davenport said he was the general agent of the American anti-boycott association, a secret organization composed of a large number of manufacturers combined for enforcing the laws against boycott of man, his business, or product. Mr. Davenport's ground of opposition was that eight-hour legislation was not wanted either by the employer or employes. It was, he said, socialistic legislation of the worst character.

CAUGHT TO CABLE.

CHATHAM, Mass., Feb. 11.--A barge in tow of tug Edgar Luckenbach, bound from New York for Boston early today had her anchor caught fast to the French cable off Orleans and up to this afternoon had been unable to clear it. It was believed there was no danger of injury to the cable, but it was thought the anchor would have to be slipped in order to permit the barge to get away.

WATER RECEDING.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 11.--The water in the Susquehanna river is receding slowly and the ice is passing off the lowlands without causing any great damage. The great gorge above Sunbury is still intact and will not go out until there is another thaw.

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GENERAL RIGGS

Answers Charges Made by Legislators

BALTIMORE, Feb. 11.--Brig. Gen. Laurawan Riggs, who has been summoned to Annapolis to appear before the bar of the house of delegates and explain why he refused to permit his troops to recognize passes issued by Gov. Warfield, left for the state capital today.

The general explained that he was not acting independently nor was he in absolute control of the situation. He said that ever since the troops were called out he has been working in conjunction with the police department. The mayor, the marshal of police and himself have held frequent conferences and everything done had first had the approval of these officials.

Speaking of the order revoking all passes Gen. Riggs said:

"After a thorough inspection of the burned territory it was found that many persons had gained admission to the place and the suggestion was made that all passes be temporarily revoked not only because of the danger to life on account of the high tottering walls, but also on account of the fear that unscrupulous persons might carry away valuables or even go so far as to break open safes. A conference was held Tuesday at which were present the governor, the mayor, the marshal of police and others. The governor said at this conference that he had issued passes to members of the legislature and regretted that he had done so. He said he felt he had erred in so doing. After a general talk it was decided to revoke all passes including those issued by the governor. The governor fully approved this action. Gov. Warfield was not ignored nor was there any intention to slight the members of the legislature."

Gen. Riggs took with him statements from Mayor McLane, President Upshur of the board of police commissioners and Assistant City Solicitor Edgar Allen Poe, in which these officials approve the order revoking passes.

Admission to the fire territory was comparatively easy today. This was due to the greatly improved conditions within the lines.

THE STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.--The stock market opened irregular, Amalgamated Copper, 46; Atchison 67⅞; Baltimore & Ohio, 76⅜ ex. div.; Brooklyn Transit, 42¼; Canadian Pacific, 115¾; Erie, 25⅝; do. first pfd., 63⅞; Louisville, 103¼; Manhattan, 141⅜; Missouri Pacific, 89; New York Central, 115; Ontario & Western, 20⅜; Pennsylvania, 113; Reading, 41½; Rock Island, 22½; Sugar, 123⅝; St. Paul, 139½; Southern Pacific, 45⅞; Union Pacific, 77¼; United States Steel, 11⅛; do. pfd., 55⅝; Wabash pfd., 35.

OPERA STARS SAIL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.--Among the passengers who sailed today on the steamer La Touraine for Havre were Enrico Caruso, the grand opera tenor, Arturo Vigna, the opera conductor, and W. K. Vanderbilt.

HARBOR CLOSED.

NEWPORT, R. I., Feb. 11.--The entire inner harbor is closed by ice and navigation is suspended. The boat which runs from here to Wickford was unable to make her usual trip.

For the first time since the torpedo station was established the water in the main running from here to the station froze during the night, necessitating a shut down of the smokeless powder and gun cotton factories today.

PREMIER SPRIGG DEFEATED.

CAPE TOWN, Cape Colony, Feb. 11.--Sir John Gordon Sprigg, the premier, has been defeated in the parliamentary election just held at East London, which he had represented for nearly 30 years.

DATES FOR PRINCETON ATHLETES.

PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 11.--The Princeton field and track athletes this year, besides competing in the intercollegiate games and the regular dual meets with Yale, Columbia and Cornell, will be entered in the Olympic games at St. Louis in June and in a dual meet with the University of Chicago at Chicago. A two-mile and possibly a four-mile relay team will be entered with Pennsylvania relay races. The schedule follows:

April 16, open handicap games at Princeton.

April 23, University of Pennsylvania relay races at Philadelphia.

April 23, Caledonian games at Princeton.

April 30, eighth annual interscholastic games at Princeton.

May 7, duel meet with Yale at New Haven.

May 14, duel meet with Columbia at Princeton.

May 27 and 28, intercollegiate meet at Franklin field, Philadelphia.

EX-MAYOR KIMBALL DEAD.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Feb. 11.--Ex-Mayor Henry A. Kimball died at his home here today, aged 62 years. Mr. Kimball was born in Windham, Conn., and at one time served in the Connecticut legislature. He had lived in this city since 1881 and had been a member of the state senate and house of representatives. He was prominent in the democratic party in the state and was in the coal business. He leaves a widow.

NATIONAL SOCIETY, D. A. R.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 11--Mrs. Charles W. Fairbanks, president of the grand national society Daughters of the American Revolution, was the guest of honor at the 10th annual conference of the state society which opened this morning. Mrs. C. W. Lippett, state regent, was presiding officer. The presentation of reports occupied the morning session. In the afternoon Mrs. Fairbanks delivered an address. The report of the nominating committee was presented after the address.

MONEY ON CALL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11--Noon--Money on call easy at 1¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4¾ [illegible]. Exchanges $259,173,197; balances $16,930,480.

BANK CLOSED.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Feb. 11.--Josiah Van Vranken, national bank examiner today closed the American Exchange National bank of this city. No statement of the bank's condition has yet been given out.

STEEL TRUST SUED.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 11--Alfred F. Stevens of Newark today instituted suit in the court of chancery against the United States Steel corporation to have that corporation show cause why it first decreased and subsequently discontinued paying dividends on its common stock. Stevens in his application presents figures to bear out his contention that the dividend could have been paid.

GIRLS RESCUED

Had Narrow Escape From Suffocation

BOSTON, Feb. 11--Several girls had a narrow escape from suffocation today during a fire in a wholesale grocery establishment in the market district. The fire was in the building 72 Fulton street owned by Freeman J. Doe and occupied by M. O'Keeffe, importer of groceries. It started from some unknown cause on the ground floor of the three and a half story brick building and spread quickly to the floor above, where the girls and 20 or more men were at work. The smoke became so thick that the girls could not see their way to go out, but they were taken out safely by the men. Two who fainted were taken down a ladder from a second story window. No one was hurt. The damage by the fire was about $25,000, principally to Mr. O'Keeffe's stock.

STILL FIGHTING

TROUBLE CONTINUES AT SAN DOMINGO.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11--The Clyde line steamer Cherokee arrived today from San Domingo, where, the passengers say, fighting continues. The United States men of war Hartford, Detroit and Columbia, were seen at various ports. The Cherokee left after the firing on the Yankees' launch. The Cherokee was not molested and was able to discharge and load cargo without any trouble. Purser McCurdy says he was obliged to go up the river at San Domingo city in a small boat to visit the custom house and while passing up a continuous firing was kept up by the combatants, stray bullets making the trip up the river dangerous.

GREAT FLOOD

HAS BEEN CAUSED BY BACK WATER.

YORK, Pa., Feb. 11--The back water from the ice gorge near New Holland has caused the greatest flood ever known at York Haven. The water has extinguished the fires in the York Haven paper mills and work has been suspended there. The 30 foot racewall of the York Haven power plant is entirely under water today. The water is falling slowly.

FIRE IN CHURCH

WHERE DELEGATES OF WOMEN'S CLUB WERE MEETING.

MILFORD, Mass., Feb. 11.--While a hundred delegates to the mid-winter session of the Massachusetts federation of women's clubs were meeting in the Congregational church here today, fire broke out just above the furnace. There was no disturbance, all the women at once leaving the church in an orderly manner and resuming their meeting in the Universalist church. The fire is supposed to have been caused by an overheated furnace.

TEACHER SUED

MRS. GOLDSMITH ASKS $25,000 DAMAGES.

BOSTON, Feb. 11.--Mrs. Mary E. Goldsmith, widow of Nathaniel F. Goldsmith, a liquor dealer, seeks $25,000 damages from Mary O. Cowles, a music teacher, for the alleged alienation of the affections of her husband during the latter part of his life.

Miss Cowles seeks to recover $25,000 damages in a cross action against Mrs. Goldsmith for the alleged malicious prosecution of a suit in the municipal civil court for the recovery of certain personal property, and of a bill in the supreme court to recover certain real estate, which proceedings terminated in favor of the plaintiff in the cross suit.

The cases are on trial in the third session of the superior court before Judge Sheldon and a jury.

Mr. Goldsmith alleges that Miss Cowles ingratiated herself into the good graces of Mr. Goldsmith with the result that he is alleged to have made gifts of large sums of money and of real property to her and that his affection for the plaintiff was alienated and destroyed by the defendant.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.--Cotton futures opened firm. Feb., 13.05 bid; March, 13.37; April, 13.40 bid; May, 13.70; June, 13.80; July, 13.90; August, 13.35; Sept. 12.35; Oct., 11.70; Nov., —; Dec., 11.30.

AMHERST COLLEGE

MAY BE OBLIGED TO CLOSE SOON.

AMHERST, Feb. 11.--The bursting of the water mains, which occurred last Friday night, is beginning to cause alarm. On Monday the first leak was repaired, but the same night a second leak flooded North Pleasant street, and a broken hydrant connection flooded the trolley tracks, burying them under four inches of ice. A steam boiler is in use in the attempt to thaw out the pipes in the central square. The North Amherst, Pelham and Holyoke trolley lines were tied up until this afternoon.

All the schools in the centre of the town except the high school are closed for sanitary reasons. All the college buildings were without water Saturday and Sunday. Sunday night the water was turned on, but Monday night other breaks occurred, which have been temporarily repaired. The mains are of sheet iron lined with cement, and have been laid for nearly 20 years. It is feared no permanent repairs can be effected until the ground thaws.

Except three fraternity houses, which have a spring supply, there is no water in any of the college buildings, and it is feared the college will have to close. Many of the supply pipes have frozen, owing to the turning off of the water. One of the unfortunate results of the water troubles is the necessity of postponing the junior promenade appointed for the 15th. The semester examinations end today, and should the college be closed for two weeks, most likely the Easter vacation will be omitted so as to complete the college year at the regular time.

If there's a hint of Catarrh Taint apply Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder without delay. It will save you suffering, heal you quickly whether you have been a slave one month or 50 years. It relieves cold in the head and catarrhal headaches in 10 minutes. The Hon. David Mills, minister of justice for the Dominion of Canada, endorses it. Sold by Falls & Burkinshaw.--3

You can't expect to weave white satin with blackened hands, any more than you can expect good results from papers with a bogus circulation.

THE SILK MARKET

Has Been Affected by the War

NEW YORK, Feb. 11--War in the far east already has affected the silk piece goods market of the United States. The majority of prominent importing houses have just announced advances of 10 per cent, on habutai and other silk fabrics manufactured in Japan. They give as their reason the fact that many of the operatives and skilled hands in the various factories have been drafted for war purposes and their places cannot be filled. Stocks in Yokohama and New York are decidedly light.

In order to secure a uniformity of prices the more important Japanese houses in the trade are getting together and endeavoring to establish an agreement as to the regulation of prices, as it is believed that unless some sort of an agreement is made the market is more than likely to be entirely upset as to values. Several of the largest firms already have attached their names to the agreement and others signified their willingness to abide by its stipulations.

BUTCHERS PROTEST

AGAINST THE EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11--War has been declared by the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butchers' workmen of North America upon women employed in butcher shops in this city.

Learning that several pretty girls have been employed by a Harlem butcher to wrap and sell meat, the local executive board has started an investigation to learn whether or not the employment of women is interfering with members of the union. It is declared by one of the officials that no union butcher will be permitted to cut meat handled in this manner, and if necessary vigorous measures will be taken to stop the employment of women.

SHORTAGE OF FUEL.

BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me., Feb. 11.--A shortage of coal and wood on Monhegan Island, which has been cut off from communication with the mainland since Monday, by ice, is reported. It is possible suffering may be caused by the embargo. The mail packet is at Monhegan, having made her last trip Monday. One American and two St. John schooners are frozen in here. The harbor and coast have not been so badly frozen in since 1868. All the small islands are surrounded by the ice.

STEAMSHIP LAUNCHED.

CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 11.--The steamship City of Columbus was launched today at Roach's shipyards. Two previous attempts had been made to launch the vessel, but both times the steamship struck on the ways.

DAMS ARE SOLID.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 11--The flood is gradually receding here owing to the continued cold weather, but the danger is yet great. The lowlands are covered with ice and water. The dams at Bloomsburg, Towanda and Nanticoke are solid and show no signs of breaking. The principal flood is now caused by the water backing up from these dams. If they break great destruction will follow.

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Covering One Side of Face and Reaching to the Eye

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SIX DROWNED

Fatality Off the Coast Of Tayabas

MANILA, Feb. 11.--A serious drowning fatality is reported off the coast of Tayabas, the southeastern province of Luzon. A number of government officials were returning to the mainland from a festival on Alabat Island in a small boat when a severe storm arose and the frail craft was capsized. The list of drowned included Burch and Grace MacGrew, teachers; a contract surgeon named F. Tetamor; J. A. Williams, a physician of the board of health and two natives.

COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.--The cotton market at the opening today was comparatively quiet. Following the call the market ruled quiet and somewhat irregular. In the early afternoon the market advanced to a matter of 68 to 74 points on the active months with March holding at 13.85, May at 14.09 and July at 14.16.

GEORGE DUBUQUE

INVITED TO COMPETE IN ICE RACE AT TROIS RIVIERES.

George Dubuque of Middlesex street, former champion ice skater of Trois Rivieres, P. Q., has received an invitation to participate in a skating contest to be held at his old home next week and will probably accept and attend the races. In his days "Cheeksie" was a good one on top of de ice.

BOSTON & MAINE R. R.

Corrected to October 12, 1903. Trains leave Merrimack street depot, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.43, 6.22, x6.42, *7.46, *8.50, *9.40, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, x5.44 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex street station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.46, 6.28, *6.39, x6.45, w6.50, 7.01, *7.24, 7.31, *7.46, w*8.00, *8.57, w9.25, *9.50, w10.50, 11.05, *11.43 a. m.; w12.05, 12.14, w12.45, 1.44, *1.56, w2.30, x3.03, w*3.10, *3.47, w3.55, 4.28, w5.06, 5.22, x5.49, w*6.15, *6.22, w7.00, 7.29, w9.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 6.59, 7.24, w8.15, 8.45, 9.20 a. m.; w12.05, w4.05, 4.25, w5.30, 5.58, w8.00 p. m.

For Lawrence, 5.28, w6.50, z7.31, w8.30, w9.25, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, w2.30, w3.55, w5.06, w6.15, w7.00, w9.25, wq11.25 p. m. Sundays, w8.18 a. m.; w12.05, w5.30 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.31 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, n2.30, n8.55, w5.06, 6.28 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.06, 6.15, 7.00, 9.25, q11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 5.30 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.28 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor, Belfast and Rockland, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., 5.06 p. m. (5.06 does not run Saturdays.) SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland,) on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport, Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland,) Tuesday and Friday at 5.06 p. m.

Last trip of season Oct. 30, 1903.

For Woburn, 6.28, 7.01, *7.48, 11.05 a. m.; 1.44, 4.28 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.48 a. m.; 4.25, 5.58 p. m.

For Ayer Junction, Stations on W. N. & P. and Fitchburg divisions, 7.07, 11.55 a. m.; 5.01 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2.15 p. m.

For Stations on W. N. & P. division, Nashua to Portland, Me., 9.03 a. m.; (3.40 p. m. to Rochester only.)

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.03 a. m.; 1.00, 3.40, 5.39 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.03 a. m.; 3.40 p. m. SUNDAYS, to Hillsboro, 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.30, 9.03, 9.33, *10.39, a. m.; *12.09, 1.00, *1.39, 3.40, *5.39, 6.27, *8.10, *9.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.02 a. m.; 2.00, 6.02, *8.10, *9.10 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon, White River Junction, 7.30, *9.39 a. m.; *12.09, *1.39 (to Franklin only.) 6.40, *b8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.,) Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.30 a. m.; 1.39 p. m.

For Stations on White Mt. Division, 9.39, *10.39 a. m.; 1.39 p. m. (5.39 p. m. to Plymouth); *b9.10, 9.24 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *10.39 a. m.; *1.39, *b9.10 p.m.

For Montpelier, Essex Junction, Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal via Central Vermont line, *9.39 a. m.; *12.09, *b8.10 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air line, *10.39 a. m.; *b9.10 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth and Sherbrooke, *10.39 a. m.; *9.10 p.m. (daily except Saturdays.

References:
aVia Wakefield Junction.
*Express. bDaily.
qWednesdays and Saturdays only.
wVia Western Division.
xVia Bedford. zVia Wilmington Junc.

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TWO FRAUDS.

The merchant who would try to sell a pair of shoes without opening the box in which they came from the factory, would be regarded as a fraud and a trickster, and the newspaper which denies to the advertiser all the information he desires in reference to its circulation, must not expect the confidence of its patrons.

SPECIAL NOTICES

THE FOLLOWING SAYS: That you can get a doll carriage, a go-cart or a handsome doll with a pound of tea or two pounds of coffee at Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON--The two o'clock and five o'clock editions of The Sun are on sale every day at both newsstands in the Union station, Boston.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 9, 1904. The Joint Committee on the Judiciary will give a hearing to parties interested in petition of Frank G. Bent (accompanying House bill No. 367) for legislation to correct an inequality now existing in the law relative to the appointment and employment of stenographers for the superior court; also (Senate bill No. 63) to prohibit unauthorized performances or representations of certain dramatic and musical compositions; also petition of Willard Hanson (accompanying House bill No. 466) for legislation relative to mechanics' liens; and petition of Edward O'Brien (House bill No. 407) for legislation to extend the time within which appeals may be taken in criminal cases, at room No. 227 State House, on Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. A. M. Taft, Chairman. Wm. A. Kelley, Clerk of the Committee.

HELP WANTED

WANTED--A housegirl at 15 Elliot St.

WANTED--Girl, one who understands meat cooking. Call 19 Hurd street.

WANTED--An experienced table girl at the New American house.

LADIES can make $2 and $3 per day during spare hours sure; great opportunity to make money; investigate. Address J. D. Buck, care Sun.

WANTED--Experienced milliner. 175 Merrimack street.

AGENTS wanted everywhere; new, cheap combination accident and sickness policies; most popular ever offered; death benefit, weekly indemnity; absolute protection, novel system; annual premiums $1 to $6; no assessments or dues; sell to everyone, either sex; all claims immediately paid; insurance assets $500,000; liberal commissions; exclusive territory. International Company, 231 Broadway, New York.

ANY intelligent person may earn $10 to $50 monthly in spare time corresponding for newspapers; no canvassing; send for particulars. Northern Press Syndicate, room 24, Lockport, N. Y.

WANTED--A man and wife to work on a farm. Apply at 528 Middlesex street, S. P. Pike's.

WANTED--Girl to do general housework at 15 Harding street.

WANTED--Salesmen, salary and commissions; large sales and big profits. Call the Arlington house, room 29, Lowell, 6 to 9 p. m.

WANTED--An experienced cook at the Quincy house, 53 Lee street.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED--By an experienced man, a situation as boiler tender or janitor; understands steam. Inquire at 201 Middlesex street.

SITUATION WANTED By all-round woman cook in restaurant, hotel, lunch room or boarding house. Inquire rear 317 Middlesex street.

WANTED--Work of any kind by a good, reliable man. Apply to John Varonas, 346 Suffolk street.

WANTED--Situation washing dishes or at light housework and minding a child or two. Apply at 12 Brown street.

WANTED--A situation by a middle-aged woman at light housework or would mind children able to attend school or would wash dishes in a hotel or restaurant. Inquire at 89 Crosby street.

NURSE--Capable, experienced, can be obtained at reasonable terms at 28 Jones avenue, Dracut Centre.

WANTED--A situation as housekeeper by a neat, capable, experienced American, where strict attention will be appreciated. Address J. B. W., care Macine Co., Lowell, Mass.

WANTED--Situation by lady to do light housework; does not object to children. Call 18 Branch street.

MONEY TO LOAN

PAWNBROKER--Money to loan; money loaned on all valuable articles, clothing; rates reasonable. A. Stein, 313 Middlesex street, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security. Boarding houses, retail merchants and salaried people; easy payments; lowest rates in the city. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters, boarding houses, without security; easy payments; largest business in 42 principal cities. Tolman, room 28, Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leinbns, room 9, Barristers hall.

WANTED

YOUNG GENTLEMAN--With business in Boston desires room and board with private family near Middlesex street station; state terms, which must be moderate. J. P. Sun office.

WANTED--One or two children to board. 457 Lakeview avenue.

WANTED--Dress making and all kinds sewing by the day. Address J. C., Sun office.

WANTED--Dress making, children's clothing a specialty. Apply Mrs. J. M. Brown, 257 Appleton street, Lowell.

WANTED--For cash, a place 5 to 20 acres close to a city and electrics. Call or write to the Arlington house, Lowell, Mr. Dalton. Call 6 to 9 p. m.

WANTED--Children to board in the country; terms reasonable. Address box 163, Billerica.

IF YOU WANT a cord or more of dry hard wood for $6, telephone to P. Cogger, truckman, 438 Riverside street.

WANTED--Donations of second-hand clothing for men, women and children for destitute families in our city. Please send bundles or card to Mattie A. Towne, War Cry Sergeant, Salvation Army, Appleton street, Bancroft block, room 12, Lowell.

TO LET

TO LET--Furnished front rooms for small families or two men together. 50 John street.

NEWLY furnished rooms and table board under new management. 63 George street, corner Tyler.

TO LET--Corner School and Lawson street, a pleasant upstairs 7-room tenement; rent $11 a month. Apply to A. G. Titus, 48 Stevens street.

TO LET--Two furnished front rooms, heat, bath, hot and cold water, $1 and $1.25 per week. 855 Middlesex street, opposite Standard Bottling Co.

TO LET--A 5-room tenement, newly renovated; 12 Rogers street; rent low. Apply at M. Wyman's, 62 Middlesex St.

TO LET--Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping, with gas, heat and bath. Apply Weston house, 200 Appleton street.

TO RENT--A lovely four room tenement, good location, $8.00, G. P. Walker, 964 Middlesex street.

TO LET--A 6-room tenement with all modern improvements. Apply at 227 School street.

TO LET--Queen street, three rooms, $7; Concord street, five rooms, $8; Centralville, five rooms, $7.50; two rooms, $4.00; other tenements and stores to rent. T. H. Elliott, 64 Central street.

TO LET--Small tenements, 631 Broadway; rent low.

FOR SALE

THE GREAT BARGAIN PLACE in Lowell for shirts and shirt waists and fall suits is the Highland Remnant Store, 8 Pine street; take the Westford street car; a full line of regular 50c mercerised vesting and ottomans for 39c per yd.; also mercerised cheviot, regular price 37c, for 23c to 29c per yd.; regular 37c mercerised Sea Island for 21c per yd.; also Barnaby ginghams, flannelettes and vestings in bundles by the pound; it will pay you to see these bargains before purchasing elsewhere; also boot and shoe repairing done at lowest prices; drop us a postal card and we will call for and repair and deliver the goods without any extra charge.

370 BRIDGE STREET. White Sewing Machine Co.--Ladies before buying try our automatic drop machine; we have several other makes; you are sure to get suited; give us a call.

$350 PIANO for sale at a bargain, as party is leaving city. Call at 18 Summer street between 2 and 4 and 7 and 9 p. m.

FOR SALE--Drug store, easy terms. Address "Drugs," box 310, Fall River, Mass.

FOR SALE--Cheap, a good double travers runner sleigh. Inquire at 25 Cross street.

FOR SALE--Fine double sleigh, built to order, nearly new; owner having no further use for it will sell cheap. Inquire at Sun office.

FOR SALE--To mend your stove bricks use Eagle Stove Clay. Hardware and stove dealers sell it in three size packages.

GERMAN ELECTRIC BELT--Relieves rheumatic pains of back and limbs at once; easily adjusted; price $3. F. E. Saunders, agent, 119 Middlesex street.

FOR SALE--Horse and team, value $300, may be had for $175; private family preferred. Apply Sun office.

FOR SALE--A variety store situated in a good business neighborhood, established trade of seven years; an exceptionally fine place for one who dressmakes; poor health of owner reason for selling. For all particulars, terms, etc., inquire of E. R. Donovan, room 1, Swan block, 26 Central street. It may be your opportunity.

RUBBER STAMPS at wholesale prices; 1-in. one line stamps 15c; 1½ in., 20c; 35c ink pads, 25c; 25c ink pads, 15c; 50c linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 15c per line. J. M. Fellows, 168 Merrimack St.

MISCELLANEOUS

MISS UPHAM, clairvoyant and card reader; cards read 25c. 81 Merrimack St., corner John.

GLORIA is the greatest family beverage; gives weakly, nervous women vigor and health. Boyle Bros., agents. Tel.

MADAM LENORE--Clairvoyant card reader; also gifted with drawing power. 71 Tyler street.

MRS. FLETCHER, 769 Gorham street, trance medium and card reader.

MME. WATSON EMERSON--Clairvoyant and psychological readings at 474 Central street, also instruction in elocution and physical culture.

WOOD GIVEN AWAY--2½ miles out. Apply to depot master, Wamesit station. Must be cut and taken away at once.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, cheap, from the Merrimack woolen mills. Corner store, Lakeview avenue and Pleasant street, Navy Yard.

HORSEMEN ATTENTION--We are now prepared to shoe your horses in the most satisfactory and scientific manner, especially horses lamed by incorrect shoeing, at the reasonable low price of 4 new shoes for $1.00; we also keep in stock a line of hand-made shoes turned by L. J. Paulien, at the Fair Grounds shoeing forge, 1054 Gorham street, Lowell, Mass.

PIANO OR ORGAN LESSONS at your home; special pains taken with children or advanced pupils; will accompany any instrument for entertainments; years of experience. Mabel Randall, Chelmsford Centre.

STOVES--New and second-hand, bought, sold and exchanged. Reliable Furniture Co., 165 Middlesex street.

LIMBURG--Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence, 1123 Bridge street. Telephone.

MUSIC--German zither music furnished at reasonable rates for concerts, dinner parties, church entertainments and home socials. John C. Hansen, Bon Marche studio.

IF YOU WANT your mattresses made over at your home, call at 340 Central St.

BUY YOUR HAT at Delorme's, where you can have it cleaned free of charge for one year. Repairing a specialty. 261 Middlesex street.

SAVE MONEY by buying your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Baker & Co.'s, 150 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; also furniture moving done in a careful manner; always big bargains at our store. McGauvran Bros., Merrimack St., opp. City Hall.

LADIES--Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination; used by 200,000 women; price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST--Feb. 10, Boston terrier pup, brindle, with white breast, white streak on face. Finder please return to 60 Sutherland street. Reward.

LOST--Bull dog, white neck, breast and face. Reward for return to 10 Alder St.

FOUND--Lady's pocketbook containing sum of money and other trinkets. Owner may have by paying for adv. and proving claim at Sun office.

FOUND--A sum of money. Owner can have by proving property. Inquire of I. D. McCarthy, janitor O'Donnell & Gilbride company.

LOST--Sum of money Tuesday afternoon on Gorham street, near East Chelmsford. Reward for return to Sun.

LOST--Monday, Boston trip book. Reward at 580 Merrimack street.

FOUND--Sum of money. Owner may have by proving ownership and paying for adv. G. W. Coon, 209 Appleton street, after 7 p. m.

LOST--Fox terrier pup, white, with brown ears, name and address on collar. Finder will please return to 332 Lincoln street. Reward.

LOST--Monday afternoon between Chalifoux's store and Middle street entrance to Middlesex club, a pair of eyeglasses in case. Finder rewarded at Sun office.

POULTRY

POULTRYMEN--To make hens lay feed green cut bone; nothing like it; cut fresh daily. Adams Supply Co., 40 Middlesex Street, room 15, Lowell.

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Successor to Fish & Plummer.

137 CENTRAL STREET

Our Motto: "Honest Representation. Fair Dealings. Justice to the Owner. Satisfaction to the Buyer."

FOR SALE--Meat and provision store. Fine family trade. One of the best stands in Lowell.

$1400 buys a pretty little farm of 23 acres. Boston & Northern electrics pass the door. Farm borders on the Merrimack river. A bargain.

FOR SALE--One of the snuggest grocery stores in Lowell; now doing an excellent business; splendid list of customers, clean stock, delivery wagons; excellent chance to get a good paying business. Investigation invited.

41 ACRE FARM--20 minutes out on Boston electric line; 20 acres mowing, cuts 20 tons of hay; 21 acres of pasture and woodland; rich, loamy land, plenty of fruit; 14-room house, steam heat, excellent location to take summer boarders; beautiful lake near it.

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590**

A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

The sworn daily average circulation for the month of January, 1904, was: **15,432**

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

Not only has Secretary Hay incurred the displeasure of Russia by his proposition to hamper her action and compel her to relinquish her hold upon Manchuria, but he has aroused the opposition of France, one of the best friends this country ever had, and for what?

It would pay the legislative committee having the matter in hand to come to Lowell to ascertain public sentiment upon the matters under consideration, notably the police board and the appropriation for the Textile school. The fact that the hearing before the appropriation committee was a failure should not prejudice any committee in giving a public hearing here to find what the citizens want.

THE ESCAPE AT STATE PRISON.

Warden Bridges will have to be more circumspect in order to prevent prisoners from escaping. He stepped aside while the barber prisoner found an open door inviting him to make a dash for liberty. He did just as ninety out of every hundred would have done and the story that he had a confederate outside is all moonshine.

RUSSIA'S FLEET OF LITTLE USE.

In this war Russia fights at an immense disadvantage in being so far from the base of supplies. Besides she cannot send a battleship to Port Arthur or Vladivostock without running the gauntlet of the whole Japanese fleet. This war may prove as difficult to Russia as was the Boer war to England, but far more disastrous in the end. England succeeded in taking the two republics of South Africa, but at a terrible loss of men and money. It is plain that Russia's fleet is not to be compared with that of Japan in fighting qualities. The Japanese are skilled warriors, quick and brave in action. They will probably show the same qualities in their engagements on land.

THAT APPROPRIATIONS HEARING.

The hearing held at city hall Wednesday night by the committee on appropriations for the purpose of giving the citizens an opportunity to be heard was an utter disappointment. Nothing of importance was brought out. The chief commodity was hot air and of that there was an excess. With the exception of Judge Pickman's statement in regard to the work of the park commission there was nothing new, nothing that would enlighten the committee in the work of using the pruning knife on the department estimates. The committee will therefore have to fall back upon its own good sense and judgment as to what should be done to establish economy and yet make a fair allowance for the necessities in each case.

What is needed is department heads who will make a good showing with the money expended. The committee may do its duty faithfully but it cannot prevent mismanagement and waste of money by lack of system, grafting and other causes known to the politicians.

IF LOWELL BURNED DOWN.

If Lowell were burning up how long would it take to get help from Lawrence, Nashua or Boston? Such contingencies are to be provided for by our fire department. We are not more secure or better protected than was the city of Baltimore, the main portion of which is now in ashes.

The chief fault found with the fire department of Baltimore is that it fought the fire from the rear, until clearer heads or braver men arrived from Philadelphia. The destruction of a city in such a manner is hard to understand at this distance; but if a high westerly wind prevailed on the night of the O'Donnell & Gilbride fire the flames might have destroyed the whole of Merrimack street down as far as Merrimack square or beyond. With a high wind when St. Patrick's church was burned brands might have been carried as much as a quarter of a mile and thence to other buildings so that there is no telling what destruction may result even from a small fire if the wind be high and the locality what is known as dangerous for fires.

It will do no harm then to figure on such unfavorable circumstances and plan for the quickest and best possible way of mastering the flames.

If Lowell burned down what would the people do? That is perhaps a vain speculation but strange to say, some of the newspapers are already beginning to hint that the great Baltimore fire was a blessing in disguise and that the city will rise phoenix like from the ashes of its former self. Nevertheless we do not care for blessings that come in such a terrible form.

IS LIFE HELD TOO CHEAP?

In some quarters there is an opinion that life is held too cheap in cases of death by railroad accident when the limit that can be sued for is $5000.

In many other states there is no such limit and an effort is being made here to raise the limit from $5000 to $25,000.

The bill before the legislature not only proposes to amend the present law but to add additional provisions, one of which is that if a corporation railroad or street railway through negligence or unfitness or negligence of its agents causes the death of an employe it shall be punished by a fine not less than $500 and not more than $25,000, the same to be recovered by an indictment prosecuted within one year after the time of the injury which caused the death, and shall be paid to the executor or administrator of the person so killed, one half to the use of the widow if there is one, and the other half to the children, otherwise the whole to the next of kin.

Another provision is that if an employe of a railroad corporation while in the exercise of due care is killed under circumstances that would have entitled him to maintain an action for damages if death had not resulted, the corporation shall be liable in the same manner and to the same extent as if the deceased had not been an employe.

This bill will be stubbornly fought by corporation interests in the legislature, but one thing is certain, that if it becomes law it will have the effect of making railroad corporations more careful. The number of people killed in railroad accidents last year in this country is about fifty times as great as it might be if proper care were exercised.

Under such circumstances it will do no harm to make the laws governing claims for damages in accident cases more strict than they are at present.

Experience has shown that it is out of the question to seek the indictment of corporation officials on the charge of criminal negligence no matter how culpable they may be. They are always exonerated. The only way to punish them therefore, is by increasing the damages in accidents due to carelessness or mismanagement.

WANTS A CHANGE

In the Style of Racing Boats

NEW YORK, Feb. 12—A letter from Sir Thomas Lipton has been received by the officials of the New York Yacht club with reference to a fourth challenge for the America's cup. This fact was brought out at the annual meeting of the club last night, although the presiding officer declined to say whether the letter was a formal challenge or the preliminary challenge. It was the general opinion of the members that Sir Thomas had signified his desire to issue a challenge, but was anxious that yachts of some other type should wage the battle.

The letter was referred to a committee of five, which will be appointed later by the chairman. They will correspond with Sir Thomas and when matters have been arranged satisfactorily the correspondence will be given out.

VALENTINE PARTY

AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH LAST NIGHT.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the First Baptist church gave a valentine supper and entertainment last evening in the vestries. The decorations, which were in charge of Mr. Swanton's class, Miss Florence Flemings chairman, were very elaborate and artistic. Long streamers of white cloth decorated with large red hearts, and streamers of red cloth with white hearts were festooned about the assembly room, and a very fancifully trimmed postoffice occupied a corner where St. Valentine's missives were received and despatched. The Misses Mildred and Charlotte Meader were managers, and little Donna Bowen, Mildred French and Helen Eveleth dressed in white and with wings on their shoulders to hasten the delivery of the mails, served as the cupid postmen. Miss Bertha Taylor in the garb of the fortune teller, prognosticated the future of all who cared to have it revealed. Mrs. Larkin Trull had charge of the supper which was served from 6 to 8 o'clock, when a short but interesting literary program was furnished by Mrs. W. H. Pepin.

Dr. Ford gave a brief history of St. Valentine, Mrs. James Flemings played several piano selections and was the accompanist for Harry Hopkins, who rendered a tenor solo with excellent effect. Miss Mildred French delighted the audience by her recitations in costume. The young people played games till nearly 10 o'clock.

DOG SHOW

MANY VALUABLE CANINES ON EXHIBITION.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—J. Pierpont Morgan was again successful with his collection of collies at the dog show in Madison Square Garden yesterday. In the classes for dogs, his recent English importation Wishaw Clinker carried the field, while Clinker's kennel companion, Ormesklirk Olympian, also English bred, took second.

Mr. Morgan led the field with bitches with his recent purchase, champion Moreton Hebe.

In all English Sheep dogs, Messrs. Charles Frohman and Dillingham's Bouncing Lass proved the heroine.

Theodore Offerman's Floriform won all before it in Airedale terriers.

Foxhall Keene took first and second in the limit dog class with Wakefield Briar and West Ho.

Princeton Monarch beat all his younger rivals, including Noross Carrots, the winner at the ladies' show. Frank Doles' Marguerite of Navarre was crowned queen in the classes for the opposite sex, while the same owner's home bred puppy Edgewood Elizabeth finished second in the winner's class after having blue ribbons showered on her in several classes.

SOCIAL AND DANCE

UNDER AUSPICES OF TWILIGHT SOCIAL CLUB.

Lowell colored society was out in force last night at Highland hall, the occasion being a social party and dance of the Twilight Social club. Among the large attendance were many colored guests from Lawrence, Andover, Groton, Boston and Fitchburg. Many of "de white folks" graced the terpsichorean function with their presence and mixed in the mazy whirl with their Ethiopian friends in a hearty and joyous manner.

Among the "culled" sisters present were noticed the following: Miss Emma Buller, Miss Stella Payne, Mrs. Lewis Anderson, Mrs. Wentworth, Miss Lizzie Webster, Misses Sadie Anderson, Alice Spellman, Miss Irene Webster, Mrs. Marsh, Miss Ida Marsh, Mrs. Mathews, Miss Caldwell, Miss Williams, Miss Maker, Mrs. Bessie Dupont, Miss Raynes, Miss Ethel Buller and Miss Lucy Raymond. Music was furnished by Atwood's orchestra.

The affair proved a grand social and financial success due to the following efficient committee of arrangements: General manager, Daniel Claggett; assistant general manager, John E. Jackson; floor director, William Williamson; assistant floor director, Jewell Marsh; chief aid, E. H. Fountaine; aids, Charles C. Collins, Fred Lew, William Thomas, William Webster, James Scott, Charles Faulcon, William Lew, Joe Faulcon, John Lew, William Hazard.

ANNUAL MEETING

OF UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—One hundred delegates representing the 277 clubs composing the association were present at the annual meeting of the United States Golf association at Delmonico's last night. Officers were elected with G. Herbert Windeler, Country club, Brookline, Mass., president; W. Fellows Morgan, secretary.

It was voted to hold the amateur championships at the Baltusrol club grounds, Short Hills, N. J., during the week beginning Sept. 5.

The women's championship tournament will be held on the links of the Merion Cricket club, Philadelphia, but the date was not settled.

The Glenn Golf club of Chicago was the only applicant for the open championships and its links were selected. The dates of these tournaments were left open.

FAMILIES FLED.

PORT DEPOSIT, Md., Feb. 12.—The Susquehanna river is 10 feet out of its banks last night and hundreds of families have fled from their inundated homes. A large number of business houses are under water. Thus far no lives have been lost, nor livestock carried away.

PUTNAM & SON CO.

166 CENTRAL STREET

Our Mark Down Sale of Fine Clothing

has been a splendid success. The most decisive bargains are offered today—for we've kept lots at popular prices filled from higher cost goods.

The Overcoat Sale Embraces the Following:

Fine Overcoats from, Rogers, Peet & Co.

and they make the finest ready-made in the world. A few were $25, the others $20. Most every coat has deep silk shoulders and fine worsted lining. Among these, several large sizes, 44 to 46 breast measure; with these, a lot of our own make overcoats that were $20—all three lots today . . **$15**

Fine Oxford Melton Overcoats

of our own make. A coat of which we have sold so many that it is justly famous. We believe these coats to be the greatest value ever offered at $15. The fabric is of very fine quality; the linings of expensive Princess serge, the sleeve linings of best quality satin; the tailoring of the highest class—all today . . **$11.50**

$10 for Men's Overcoats in Regular Cut

made from high-grade cheviot faced overcoatings and fine qualities of frieze. All trimmed with fine Princess serge, or with plaid linings and satin shoulders. Nearly all of these coats have been $15, today for **$10**

Men's All Wool Overcoats, $5.00

Twenty excellent overcoats of all wool oxford and black frieze and black kerseys. Overcoats that have sold for $12, $10 and $8. All today gathered into one lot and marked . . **$5.00**

These Are Men's and Young Men's Suits

The Best Suits from Rogers, Peet & Co.

every high cost suit in the stock, made from imported cheviots and finest worsteds. The very cream of our collection and embracing fabrics that are used exclusively by merchant tailors. These suits have sold for $30, $28 and $25. All marked today . . **$20**

More Fine Suits from Rogers, Peet & Co.

of choice fancy cheviots and worsted cheviots. Every suit of this season's make, stylish and elegant. These in single and double breast coats, have sold for $23, $22 and $20. Your choice today—and it is a wonderful chance to get a good business suit for **$15**

Other Fine Fancy Cheviot Suits

of our own make—in single and double breast coats—including the remainders of the best selling suits in our stock. Every suit new, stylish and splendidly tailored, have sold for $18 and $15, marked today **$10**

Young Men's Suits, $6.00

A small lot, single and double breast sack, of all wool fancy cheviot, fancy worsted and plain black Thibet, sizes 32 to 35 breast; a clearing up of small lines that sold up to $10 and $12, all now marked **$6**

Young Men's Suits, $3.75

Remainders in sizes 31 to 34 breast, and will fit large boys 14 to 17 years of age who wear long trousers. All wool fancy cheviots and plain black suits that sold for $6 and $8. Only one or two suits of a kind. All now **$3.75**

Here are Some Stunning Bargains for Boys

A Lot of Suits $1.50,

for small boys 4 years to 7, pretty Norfolk suits and Vestees, all at a new price. These have sold for $3.50 and $4. All today . . . **$1.50**

Norfolk Suits $2.50

in sizes 8 years to 15. All wool fancy cheviot and plain blue cheviot suits, sold for $3.75 and $4. The lot marked . . **$2.50**

Norfolk Suits $5

embracing every fine Norfolk suit that sold for $7, $8 and $9. Stunning cheviots and plain blue—made with plain or Knickerbocker trousers, sizes 8 to 16 years, all **$5.00**

$1.50 for Boys' Overcoats

Sizes 4 years to 9. Made with half belt in the back, of nice heavy dark melton; full double breasted; silk embroidered emblems on the sleeves. Instead of $2.50, now **$1.50**

$3.00 for Large Boys' Overcoats

Sizes 8 years to 16. The new, smart, long cut, overcoats, made from dark oxford and olive meltons, nicely trimmed and well made. The best values we have ever offered for **$3.00**

200 Pairs of Boys' Short Trousers

made from heavy blue cheviot, with patent bands and rivet suspender buttons. Sizes 4 years to 14, for **25c a Pair**

1000 Pairs of the Best Knee Trousers Ever shown for 50c

These knee trousers are wonders; made from attractive patterns of heavy fancy cheviots and excellent corduroy. Every pair has double stitched taped seams and is warranted not to rip. All of the suspender buttons and fly buttons are riveted on, and can't come off. Sizes are from 4 years to 16, and they're cut good, full, plump sizes, large and roomy through the hips, and with plenty of leg room. The best goods and the most serviceable that we've ever seen for

50 Cents

A Wonderful Sale of Men's and Boys' Neglige Shirts

100 Dozens of Men's Spring Patterns of Neglige Shirts, and Laundered Bosom Business Shirts,

in light and dark grounds, small figures and stripes—every shirt cut a full yard in length, finely made with flat seams and gussets. A separate pair of link cuffs with about every shirt—as cloth is today these shirts are worth 75c. We offer this lot, sizes 14 to 17,

35c Each; 3 Shirts for $1.00

30 Dozens of Boys' Neglige and Laundered Bosom Shirts,

sizes 12 to 14. All handsome and attractive spring patterns, made in the same thorough way as the men's shirts, and of good, generous sizes. Two collars and a pair of separate cuffs with the neglige shirts, and a pair of separate cuffs with the laundered bosoms. You will never match these for 50 cents. While the lot lasts our price is

35c Each; 3 Shirts for $1.00

BY TWO POINTS

Lowell Was Defeated in Haverhill

CROWD GOT AFTER THE REFEREE

Doyle Tossed the Winning Basket

HAVERHILL, Feb. 12.—Haverhill defeated Lowell last evening in an overtime period, Doyle scoring a beautiful goal from the side of the hall. The game was closely fought after the first period, when Lowell took a big lead. With only a minute to play, Lowell led by three points, but a goal by Wachter and a foul by Matthews gave the locals three points. The work of Horan was the feature of the game. Referee Tierney gave a decision which angered the Haverhill crowd and they started right in to make things uncomfortable for the official. With the score 23 to 19 in favor of Lowell, Tigue of the visiting team made a pretty throw that would have landed squarely in the basket but for the fact that some of the bleacherites shook the fence and consequently prevented the ball from going into the basket. For this interference the referee allowed the basket to be scored and there was war at once. The crowd wanted to do all kinds of things to Tierney but the latter stood his ground bravely and in spite of the cat calls went through the game with coolness. Lowell started off like a sure winner and before the fans had hardly realized that a game was on the Lowell men had six points to their credit. At the close of the period they were in the lead by seven points. In the next two periods Haverhill braced up and for a time it was see-saw. With only a minute to play Lowell was in the lead by three points but Wachter tossed a basket and Haverhill got a point on fouls and the score was even. The wildest kind of excitement reigned in the hall at this time and the ten players went in for an extra period. After a few minutes Doyle made a fancy shot and Haverhill had the game by a score of 28 to 26.

HAVERHILL.	LOWELL.
Harrington rf	lr Tigue
Kelliher (Watcher) lf	rb Abbott
Doyle c	c Kane
Lew rb	lf Allard
Horan lb	rf Mathews

FIRST PERIOD.

Goal, Lowell, Allard ..... 2—0
Goal, Lowell, Mathews ..... 4—0
Goal, Lowell, Kane ..... 6—0
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 6—2
Goal, Lowell, Kane ..... 8—2
Third foul, Lowell, Allard ..... 8—3
Third foul, Haverhill, Doyle ..... 9—3
Third foul, Lowell, Allard ..... 9—4
Goal, Lowell, Mathews ..... 11—4

SECOND PERIOD.

Third foul, Haverhill, Kelleher ..... 12—4
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 12—6
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 12—8
Goal, Lowell, Mathews ..... 14—8
Third foul, Lowell, Tigue ..... 14—9
Goal, Haverhill, Lew ..... 14—11
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 14—13
Third foul, Lowell, Allard ..... 14—14
Goal, Lowell, Allard ..... 16—14
Goal, Lowell, Tigue ..... 18—14
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 18—16
Third foul, Lowell, Kane ..... 18—17

THIRD PERIOD.

Third foul, Lowell, Kane ..... 18—18
Third foul, Haverhill, Wachter ..... 19—18
Goal, Lowell, Allard ..... 21—18
Third foul, Lowell, Abbott ..... 21—19
Goal, Lowell, Tigue ..... 23—19
Third foul, Lowell, Tigue ..... 23—20
Third foul, Haverhill, Wachter ..... 24—20
Third foul, Lowell, Mathews ..... 24—21
Goal, Lowell, Kane ..... 26—21
Goal, Haverhill, Lew ..... 26—23
Goal, Haverhill, Wachter ..... 26—25
Third foul, Lowell, Mathews ..... 26—26

OVERTIME PERIOD.

Goal, Haverhill, Doyle ..... 26—28

Score, Haverhill 28, Lowell 26. Goals from the floor, Horan 5, Lew 2, Wachter, Doyle, Kane 3, Mathews 3, Allard 3, Tigue 2. Points on fouls, Haverhill 10, Lowell 4. Fouls committed, Wachter 5, Doyle 4, Harrington 2, Horan 2, Kelliher, Mathews 3, Allard 5, Abbott 5, Kane 5, Tigue 6. Referee, J. Tierney of Lowell. Timekeepers, Connie Driscoll for Haverhill, James Gray for Lowell. Attendance, 700.

LOWELL Y. M. C. A. LOST.

BOSTON, Feb. 12—The Y. M. C. A. first team defeated the Lowell Y. M. C. A. 20 to 13 in a fast contest last evening. The first period ended 10 to 9 in favor of the home team. The playing in the second period was spirited, with the local men excelling in team play.

The summary:

BOSTON.	LOWELL.
Needham rf	lb Gray
Smith lf	rb Myrick
Williams c	c Wilson
Seymour rb	lf Pierson
Alcott lb	rf Johnson

Score, Boston 20, Lowell 13. Goals from floor, Needham 2, Smith 2, Williams 2, Seimour 2, Alcott 2, Johnson 3, Myrick, Wilson, Pierson. Goal from foul, Pierson. Referee, Briggs. Scorer, Vining. Timer, Merrill. Time, 20m. periods. Attendance, 300.

BASKETBALL NOTES.

Hot one, wasn't it?

Natick tonight in Huntington hall with Charlie Martens in the lineup.

Getzinger will play center for Lowell tonight, having wired Manager Gray that he would be on hand to play as terms were satisfactory. The Lowell lineup will be Matthews and Kane, Getzinger, Tigue and Abbott. Allard and Holleron will be ready to jump in if any one is injured.

Lowell will play in Hudson Monday night.

Toby got in his usual three goals last night. You can't beat the tall lad.

The Lowell High school team will have for opponents the strong Melrose High school team at the annex next Wednesday afternoon. The Melrose boys have suffered defeat only twice in two years, and have the distinction of defeating the fastest school teams in the state. Last year they administered a sound drubbing to the local High school boys, but they will find this year's team a hard nut to crack.

MUNYON'S PAW-PAW

I WILL REFUND YOUR MONEY IF IT FAILS TO CURE

I know that my Cold Cure will relieve head, nose, throat and lungs almost immediately, and prevent Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Grippe and other diseases.

Get a 25c bottle of these little pellets, and if you are not perfectly satisfied with results I will refund your money.

If your blood is impure, or if you have Dyspepsia, or any liver or stomach trouble, don't fail to use Munyon's Paw-Paw. It cures Dyspepsia, Nervousness, Catarrh, Sleeplessness and makes you strong and well.

—MUNYON.

Munyon's Paw-Paw Tonic sold by all druggists. Paw-Paw Laxative Pills, 25c a bottle.

DANCING PARTY

UNDER AUSPICES OF STATIONARY FIREMEN.

A dancing party was held in Machinists hall in Central street last night under the auspices of the International Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen, and there was a large attendance. The music for dancing was furnished by McElroy's orchestra.

The officers in charge of the affair were as follows:

Hugh J. Gallagher, general manager; Don McMahon, assistant; Michael Ready, floor director; James Rogers, assistant; aids, J. L. Rogers, Thomas Kelly, D. McMullen, John Walton, John Scollans; reception committee, Dominick Meehan, William Liddle, Oscar Brown, John Coleman, John McGuinness, William Green, P. Brady; general committee, H. J. Gallagher, chairman; John Walton; secretary-treasurer, John Rogers, James Ashe.

REWARD OFFERED

FOR CAPTURE OF ESCAPED CONVICT.

BOSTON, Feb. 12—Warden Benjamin F. Bridges has offered a reward of $100 for the capture of Edward Waters, the convict who escaped from the state prison Wednesday night. Up to midnight last night the officials had discovered no clue to his whereabouts.

SAVE THIS COUPON SUN PREMIUM

14K GOLD FOUNTAIN PEN

For six of these coupons and 75c we will furnish for a time Sun readers with a solid gold, fully warranted Fountain Pen, polished barrel, rubber cap screw section. Beautiful delivery, worth $1.50. Perfect satisfaction guaranteed. You will wonder how you ever got along without it. Places where the pen may be obtained: A. W. Dows & Co., cor. Merrimack and Central Sts and 289 Central St.; Lowell Pharmacy, 632 Merrimack St.; Frank P. Moody, corner Dutton and Fletcher Sts.; C. E. Carter, cor. Branch and Smith Sts. and cor. Westford and Pine streets.

FOR TWO YEARS

Ex-Chief Oakes Sent to Jail

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—Edward H. Oakes who on Saturday night laid down the badge of office as chief of police of Revere, last night slept in a cell of the Salem house of correction as a convicted criminal. He was yesterday afternoon sentenced to two years for forgery.

Oakes was tried last week in the superior criminal court in Salem, and a verdict of guilty was returned Monday morning. The charge was forgery, uttering a note for $900 by selling it to Michael R. Connolly of Lynn, knowing an indorsement on it was forged.

The facts as developed at the trial were that Oakes was interested in a cigar store on Washington street, Boston, in 1901. He negotiated to sell it to A. W. Gore, Jr., and a man named Somerville. Gore one day, before Oakes, made out a note for $900 to pay for the store. He asked Oakes whose name he should put on it as indorser, and Oakes replied "Your father's," and Gore wrote the name of his father, a wealthy Cambridge man. This note Oakes sold to Connolly, giving $50 discount.

The evidence was contradictory. Young Gore, who is at Deer Island for his part in the affair, testified that his own evidence in court in Boston was false. Other witnesses testified to talking with persons who took the stand and denied having ever seen them.

J. H. Sisk, counsel for Oakes, moved for a new trial, claiming that the verdict was against the evidence, and he made another motion on the ground of newly discovered evidence that a government witness was bribed to testify falsely. Both motions were overruled. A motion for stay of sentence, pending exceptions, was also denied. Judge Lawton said that he would pass on the exceptions Saturday, and if they justified it, he would authorize a stay of sentence.

When the sentence was read to him Oakes appeared calm. Handcuffed to Deputy Sheriff Bishop, he was led to a hack and driven to the house of correction. Quite a crowd gathered to see him come out, and he seemed completely crestfallen and avoided their gaze.

The one topic of conversation in public places, and in private places, also, in Revere, last evening, was the sentence of Oakes.

AMERICAN GIRL

THE BRIDE OF BOSTON CHINAMAN.

PROVIDENCE, Feb. 12.—Wong Toy of Boston visited this city yesterday and was married to Miss Annie Gertrude Louise Morrison, also of Boston. The groom said he was 23 and the "Mellican girl" bride declared she was two years his junior. It was the first Chinese wedding party from Boston to be accompanied by a white man and woman as witnesses. They were married by parson Plumber.

FORTUNE TELLERS

WILL BE DRIVEN FROM NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Police Commissioner McAdoo announced yesterday his intention to begin a warfare against so-called "fortune tellers," assigning two plain clothes officers to visit imposters of this class and order them from the city. The fakirs working among the poor on the lower East side will be first attacked, after which those consulted by the wealthy and socially prominent will be investigated.

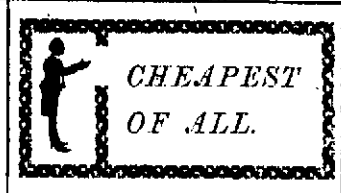
SCHUBERT MALE QUARTET.

Speaking of the Schubert Male quartet of Boston, which apepars in Y. M. C. A. Star Course at First Congregational church, Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock, the Fitchburg Morning Sun says: "Last in the Y. M. C. A. course of entertainments proved to be the most enjoyable of all. Lovers of music had a rare treat when the Schubert Male quartet appeared; they were accorded enthusiastic encores. Introduced new features never heard here before, both refreshing and novel. It was without doubt the best entertainment of the course."

The quartet will be assisted by Elvie Burnett, one of Boston's most talented readers, who has won unstinted praise for her artistic performances. Plan opens at Y. M. C. A. Tuesday morning.

JOLLY LEAP YEAR PARTY.

The Centralville Jolly club held a successful leap year party last evening in Centralville Odd Fellows' hall. Music was furnished by the Imeprial orchestra, A. B. Sunbury leader. Previous to a dance order of 20 numbers the orchestra gave the following concert program: March, "The Billboard," Klorr; "The Chinese Honeymoon," Hoffman; Intermezzo, "The Jolly Club," dedicated to the Centralville Jolly club by the author, Werner. A. F. Adams was general manager, H. J. Rocar floor director; aids, H. J. Roberts, F. J. Conroy and Paul Gott.



Of all the forms of advertising, the cheapest and best is advertising in the daily newspapers. The cheapest newspapers are those with the largest circulation in their respective fields . . . . Handbills are wasteful, expensive and of little effect. Posters are played out, because they are costly and very uncertain in durability or effect. Signboards are expensive and short lived. The Daily Newspaper is the safest, surest and cheapest of all, and the best of the local papers is The Sun, because it has the largest circulation in Lowell.

LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER

SEWING BEE

HELD AT GRACE UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.

An old-fashioned sewing bee was held at Grace church yesterday afternoon and evening and it was an immense success. The parishioners were out en masse and many of them were accompanied by their friends.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the dames and mesdames of the church commenced quilting, continuing until 6.30 when supper was served. At this feature the male members of the parish also attended and they were served with an appetizing supper, prepared by the good housewives of the church.

Supper was concluded at 8 o'clock and then everyone sat down and enjoyed a first-class entertainment given by the Misses Hard and Flemings and Roland Black and Sidney Barton. Both young ladies were very entertaining and the gentlemen also showed their ability to entertain in a most pleasing manner.

Several tables found many ready purchasers. Mrs. W. R. Kew had charge of arrangements.

NASHUA BRIDE

BUT LOWELL GROOM, AND NASHUA LOSES A POPULAR LADY.

Miss Sarah McBride of this city and Thomas Francis Hennessey of Lowell were united in marriage at the Church of the Immaculate Conception yesterday. The bride was gowned in light gray trimmed with pink and carried a bouquet of bride roses. The bridemaid was Miss Margaret McBride, sister of the bride, and Joseph Shaunnessey of Lowell was best man. Rev. E. E. Buckle officiated and Mr. and Mrs. Hennessey held a reception at the bride's home. They left at noon, with the best wishes of a host of friends, on their bridal tour.—Nashua Press.

NORTHERN SECURITIES

CONSIDERED TO BE MOST IMPORTANT.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The case against the Northern Securities company is the only one of the actions against combines which has been considered by the attorney general to be of such "general public importance" as to entitle it to procedure over other litigations. This statement was made to the house yesterday in a speech by acting Attorney General W. A. Day in response to a resolution of inquiry as to the present status of the various pending suits against the combines. In giving this status Mr. Day takes up the case of the Northern Securities company first, saying the petition was filed March 10, 1902, and the case is now pending on appeal in the supreme court of the United States at Washington.

After giving the status of different cases the report says:

"I inadvertently omitted from my report of Jan. 13, 1904, the case of the Interstate commerce commission vs. the Chesapeake & Ohio and New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad companies, pending in the United States circuit court for the western district of Virginia at Lynchburg. This was a petition in equity filed July 13, 1903, for the purpose of enjoining the defendants companies from violating the act to regulate commerce which prohibits interstate carriers from making unjust discriminations or giving undue preferences in rates. The government contended that the law was being violated in that a coal company controlled by the Chesapeake & Ohio company sold coal to the New York, New Haven & Hartford company for less than the cost of mining plus the published tariff of the Chesapeake & Ohio for transporting the coal to its destination, and that this amounted to the Chesapeake & Ohio transporting the coal in question at less than its published rates. The case was decided in favor of the government on Jan. 30 last. It is not yet known whether or not the defendants will appeal."

BOXING GOSSIP

Joe Russell, who runs a stable for boxers in Boston has discovered a new 105-pound man whom he wants to put against some of the good ones and he writes to Lowell to see if there are any at that weight in this city. Of course there is Kid Flannery, but at present Flannery is doing business with Jimmy Walsh, the champion at that weight and is not looking elsewhere. If he does not succed with Walsh he will be pleased to talk business with Russell.

Mr. Russell also has a 115-pound man in Eddie Hall, whom he would like to put on against Peter Brooks of Lawrence.

Tonight a fine bill is offered at the Riverview club at the usual smoker, with a final between Tom McLaughlin and a Lawrence welterweight. It will be McLaughlin's reappearance in the ring and great things are expected of him by his friends.

AMERICAN SHIP ASHORE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—A despatch received yesterday by the California Shipping company says that the American ship Henry B. Hyde, owned by that corporation, is ashore off Darmuck station, Chesapeake bay. A gale is blowing and the vessel is reported going to pieces. The ship was on her way from Baltimore to New York to load for San Francisco. She was built at Bath, Me., and has a displacement of 2683 tons.

WOMEN TO VOTE

Favorable Report From the Committee

The committee on election laws of the legislature reported favorably yesterday the bill to permit women to vote in caucuses for the nomination of members of the school board. It is understood that Representative William C. S. Healey of ward 2, Boston, will dissent, and Senator Carlton F. How of Haverhill will reserve the right to dissent, though he says he is in favor of the bill and will probably not oppose it.

Apparently this bill is the only woman suffrage measure that will be favorably reported this year. Yesterday the same committee reported adversely on the petition of Lucia Ames Mead to allow women to vote at municipal elections. This report was signed for the committee by house chairman Robert Luce and is unanimous, save for the dissent of Representative McManus of Natick.

The committee has not decided what it will do with the bill to permit women to vote on the question of license. Several members of the committee say the vote will be more evenly divided than on the measures already reported.

This committee reported no legislation necessary yesterday on the recommendation of Gov. Bates in favor of women's suffrage.

AS TEMPERANCE MEASURE.

A bill to permit women to vote on the question of license was yesterday given a hearing before the committee on election laws at the state house. In favor of the measure there appeared the petitioner, Katherine L. Stevenson, B. B. Johnson of Waltham, Eliza Trask Hill, M. J. Fanning and others. All the speakers argued that such a measure would be a step in favor of temperance and they urged a favorable consideration of the bill.

In opposition election commissioner Charles R. Saunders of Boston, Mrs Charles Guild, Frank Foxcroft of Cambridge urged that there is no great demand for the passage of the bill, and Mr. Saunders said that women ought not to have this right because they cannot bear arms in time of war nor do jury service, both of which duties he urged should go with the right to vote.

93 YEARS

OLDEST RESIDENT OF NORTH ANDOVER.

On Monday Mrs. Harriet McDonald of North Andover Centre reached her 93d birthday and as for many yeayrs the anniversary was observed by a gathering of relatives and friends at the home, 36 Andover street. During the day the neighbors and many of the friends of the aged lady called and paid their respects to her, says the Lawrence Telegram. In the afternoon a bountious repast was partaken of by about 25 of the relatives of the venerable hostess, present from Manchester, N. H., Methuen, Andover, Boston, Dorchester, Lowell, Reading and North Andover. In the early evening the guests departed, expressing their kindliest wishes that the day bring many returns.

Mrs. McDonald is the oldest resident of the town, having been born and lived there practically all of her life. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Moonr. Her father was born in Frye village, Andover, and her mother, who was Phoebe Chandler, was a native of the latter town also. Her maternal grandfather was a drum major in the revolutionary war.

Mrs. McDonald is in excellent health and retains her faculties to a remarkable degree. She recalls distinctly when Lafayette passed through Andover. She was one of a family of five sisters and a brother, one of the sisters, Mrs. Mary Grush, being a resident of Lowell and in her 86th year. Mrs. McDonald's husband, James P. McDonald, died in 1889. Of her three children, a son, Albert McDonald, with whom she makes her home, survives.

Among those who partook of dinner were: George F. Moonr and Mr. and Mrs. George Verrille of Manchester, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Moonr and son, Percy Monar of Methuen, Miss Cora Grush of Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Grush of Dorchester, Mrs. Fred A. Andrews of Andover, Miss Elizabeth M. Saunders of North Andover and Miss Carrie Merrill of Peabody, Mrs. Fred P. Hanniford, Miss Mabel Hanniford of North Andover, Mrs. Horace N. Stevens of North Andover, Mrs. Charles G. Hussey and Mrs. George Hussey of Andover, Mr. and Mrs. Albert McDonald, Proctor and Miss Polly Chandler and Mrs. L. M. Phipps, all of the town.

WAR DECLARATION

IS NOT NECESSARY SAYS PROF. WOOLSEY.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 11.—Prof. Theodore S. Woolsey of the Yale law school, an authority on international law today, gave it as his opinion that in breaking off diplomatic relations, the Japanese government gave a perfectly fair warning to Russia that war was at hand. "A declaration of war nowadays is unnecessary," said Prof. Woolsey. "War dates from the first moment of conflict so far as the belligerents are concerned. Neutral duties date from the official announcement made to other governments that war has begun.

"There was nothing treacherous or improper in the Japanese torpedo attack upon the Russian ships at Port Arthur."

FINAL LEVEE

RECEPTION IN HONOR OF ARMY AND NAVY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The final levee of the season at the White House the reception in honor of the army and navy, was given by President and Mrs. Roosevelt last night. The affair was the most brilliant of all the receptions. There was a large contigent of the diplomatic corps present in full court dress and the toilets of the ladies were beautiful. Admiral Dewey and staff and Lieut. Gen. Chaffee and his staff were conspicuous among the large number of those who came. The marine band furnished the music.

FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE

ARRESTED BY THE PHILADELPHIA POLICE.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—Martin Bertsch, alleged fugitive from Switzerland, was arrested here last night by Deputy Marshal Helms, charged with embezzlement. He was located in a cheap boarding house in the slum district, where he was known as Fritz Wiederker.

Bertsch, it is said, was treasurer of the Corporation society of Metz, Switzerland, and is charged with embezzling funds of the organization to the amount of 25,000 francs. He is also accused of embezzling 30,000 francs from estates of which he was executor.

POLO NOTES.

Marion and Richmond are tied for first honors in the western league.

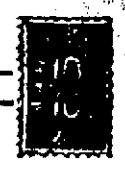
The crippled Indians are still at the bottom of the list and if they could go any lower they would for the team is in a very poor condition.

Fort Wayne has a good lead on the other clubs in the central polo league.

A line drive off the bat of Tommy Holderness of Muncie, in the second period of the game, Saturday night, at Indianapolis, struck Allie Coggshall, Indianapolis centre, squarely in the jaw and sent him to the floor with a terrible jolt. He fell as if mortally wounded. When the other players assisted him to his feet, and a physician was called, it was learned that he had lost three teeth, and had sustained a fractured jaw. His injuries will put him out of the game for some time. Murtaugh, who has been released, took Coggshall's place and finished the game.

FIRST CONTRACT AWARDED.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 12.—So far as known here the first contract looking toward the reconstruction of Baltimore has been awarded to a Pittsburg firm. James Stewart & Co., the contractors, of this city, have been given the contract for the rebuilding of the Baltimore Herald's ten story building and will begin at once.



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C. Y. M. L. DRAMATICS

"Friends" a Clever Comedy Most Ably Presented

The dramatic society of the C. Y. M. L. added new laurels to their reputation last night, when a most successful presentation of the comedy "Friends" was given in the Opera house. A large audience that was quick to recognize the clever work of the young people assembled and the applause with which every fine piece of acting was greeted was most encouraging to the amateurs.

It was the first time that local amateurs had attempted to present "Friends" and it may be said that the work of the cast

JAMES B. COUGHLIN.

was far ahead of that shown last year when "Rosedale" was given. John Quinn, who directed the performance, is deserving of credit for his work and the results accomplished, and too much cannot be said in praise of the efforts of the people who assumed the different characters. From the boxes the pastor of St. Patrick's with the priests of the parish and Rev. E. A. Dorgan, O. M. I., of the Immaculate Conception church saw the performance and were gratified with the success

ETHEL CLAYTON RANGER.

achieved. Nothing could have passed off more smoothly, and during the entire play there was no slipup in lines, no prompting required and the staginess that many amateurs are prone to affect and which detracts from the merit of their work was not in evidence at all. The cast of characters was as follows:

Marguerite Otto of the Metropolitan Opera house.....Miss Ethel Ranger
Hans Otto, her father, Mr. James B. Coughlin
Harold Hunting, director of the Metropolitan Opera house, Mr. Daniel S. O'Brien
John Paden, Sr., a business man, Mr. John J. McNabb
John Padden, Jr., a modern poet, Mr. John J. Hanlon
Adrian Karje, a pianist, Mr. John J. Sullivan
Jennie Merryweather, Miss Lillian O'Brien
Miss Wolfe of the Metropolitan Opera house.....Miss Madeline Crevier
Miss Hartman of the Metropolitan Opera house.....Miss Elizabeth Connell
Henry, a servant.....Mr. Frank Higgins

Synopsis—Act 1, Mrs. Merryweather's lodgings; act 2, drawing room at Marguerite Otto's; act 3, Harold Hunting's apartments; act 4, green room, leading to Marguerite's dressing room at the Metropolitan Opera house.

Time, the present; place, New York.

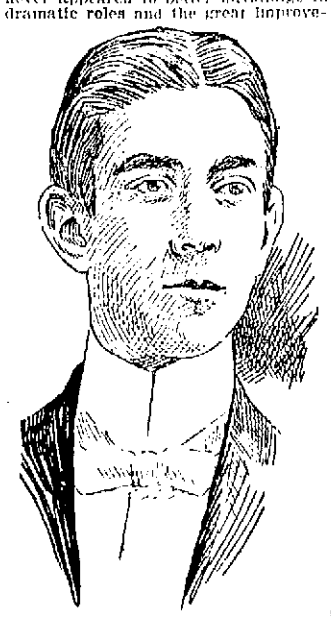
As Marguerite Otto of the Metropolitan Opera house Miss Ethel Ranger was most pleasing. She was most effective in the climaxes and her singing of "Good Bye," at the close of the second act, was exceptionally good.

She was entirely at home in the role and was self-possessed at all times. Her lines were effectively delivered and she surprised all by her elocution.

Miss Lillian O'Brien proved herself a very clever little lady and as "Jennie Merryweather," she accepted every opportunity to display her cleverness. She was a great favorite with the audience and was loudly applauded.

The leading male character was assigned to James B. Coughlin, who was "Hans Otto," and he lived up to the reputation that he has already established in dramatic circles in this vicinity. Something of a fine order was expected from him and there was no disappointment. Particularly in the third act did he show his ability when under the influence of liquor and drugs he did the cleverest piece of acting of the night.

John McNabb, as John Paden, Sr., made a hit from the start. The character of the crabid, old man who thinks everyone is wrong and that he is right, was given an excellent interpretation by him and his scenes with his son, John Paden, Jr., impersonated by John J. Hanlon, were some of the leading features of the comedy. Mr. Hanlon never appeared to better advantage in dramatic roles and the great improvement to his work was most marked. "Harold Hunting," the director of the Metropolitan opera house was ably handled by Daniel S. O'Brien, who has appeared in different productions in this city and always wins praise for his careful and masterly playing.



JOHN J. SULLIVAN.

John J. Sullivan, who with John J. Hanlon assumed the characters that gave the name to the piece, was quick to see the advantages offered by the character "Adrian Karje," the pianist,

JOHN J. HANLON.

and as a result presented some finished acting. The strangeness of the character did not phase him at all.

"Miss Wolfe" and "Miss Hartman," members of the Metropolitan Opera house, parts filled by Miss Madeline Crevier and Miss Elizabeth Connell respectively, were done well.

HEEL CRUSHED

Manuel Pitte, residing at 59 Charles street, met with a painful accident while at work in the Hamilton mills this morning. He was at work about the elevator in No. 4 comber room when he got his right foot caught between the elevator and the flooring. When the accident happened he tried to stop the elevator and shouted for help.

Several of the other operatives of the room ran to his assistance and after stopping the elevator it was found that his heel was badly crushed. The ambulance was summoned and upon its arrival he was removed to the Lowell hospital where his injury was dressed.

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A PROCLAMATION

President Sets Forth Our Impartial Attitude

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12.—The United States government late yesterday afternoon issued its formal proclamation of neutrality. This action was finally decided upon after the call at the state department this morning of Minister Takahira, who officially informed Secretary of State Hay that a state of war existed between Japan and Russia.

This official notification, after reciting the termination of negotiations with Russia, states that the Mikado had on February 10 issued a rescript declaring war against Russia.

Minister Takahira told Secretary Hay he was also instructed to express the hope of Japan that the necessary measure would be adopted in order to make the neutrality of the United States effective. The proclamation is as follows:

By the President of the United States of America:

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas, a state of war unhappily exists between Japan on the one side and Russia on the other side; and,

Whereas, the United States is on terms of friendship and amity with both the contending powers and with the persons inhabiting their several dominions; and,

Whereas, there are citizens of the United States residing within the territories or dominations of each of the said belligerents and carrying on commerce, trade or other business or pursuits therein, protected by the faith of treaties; and,

Whereas, there are subjects of each of the said belligerents residing within the territory or jurisdiction of the United States and carrying on commerce, trade or other business or pursuits therein; and,

Whereas, the laws of the United States, without interfering with the free expression of opinion and sympathy, or with the open manufacture or sale of arms or munitions of war, nevertheless impose upon all persons who may be within their territory and jurisdiction the duty of an impartial neutrality during the existence of the contest; and,

Whereas, it is the duty of a neutral government not to permit or suffer the making of its waters subservient to the purpose of war.

IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE UNITED STATES' NEUTRALITY.

Now, therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, president of the United States of America, in order to preserve the neutrality of the United States and of their citizens and of persons within their territory and jurisdiction, and to enforce their laws, and in order that all persons, being warned of the general tenor of the laws and treaties of the United States in this behalf, and of the law of nations, may thus be prevented from unintentional violation of the same, do hereby declare and proclaim that, by the act passed on the 20th day of April, A. D., 1818, commonly known as the "neutrality law," the following acts are forbidden to be done, under severe penalties, within the territory and jurisdiction of the United States, to wit:

1—Accepting and exercising a commission to serve either of the said belligerents by land or by sea against the other belligerent.

2—Enlisting or entering into the service of either of the belligerents as a soldier, as a marine or seaman on board of any vessel of war, letter of marque or privateer.

3—Hiring or retaining another person to enlist or enter himself in the service of either of the said belligerents as a soldier, or as a marine or seaman on board of any vessel of war, letter of marque or privateer.

4—Hiring another person to go beyond the limits or jurisdiction of the United States with intent to be enlisted as aforesaid.

5—Hiring a man to go beyond the limits of the United States to be entered as aforesaid.

6—Retaining another person to go beyond the limits of the United States with intent to be entered as aforesaid.

7—Retaining another person to go beyond the limits of the United States to be entered into service as aforesaid. (but the said act is not to be construed to extend to a citizen of either belligerent, who, being transiently within the United States, shall, on board of any vessel of war, which at the time of its arrival within the United States was fully equipped as such vessel of war, enlist or enter himself or hire or retain another subject or citizen of the same belligerent, who is transiently within the United States, to enlist or enter himself to service of such belligerent on such vessel of war if the United States shall then be at peace with such belligerent.

FITTING OUT OF EXPEDITION.

8—Fitting out or arming, or attempting to fit out and arm, or procuring to be fitted out and armed, or knowingly being concerned in the furnishing, fitting out or arming of any ship or vessel with intent that such ship or vessel shall be employed in the service of either of the belligerents.

9—Issuing or delivering a commission within the territory or jurisdiction of the United States for any ship or vessel to the intent that she may be employed as aforesaid.

10—Increasing or augmenting, or procuring, to be increased or augmented, or knowingly being concerned in increasing or augmenting, the force of any ship of war, cruiser or other armed vessel, which at the time of her arrival within the United States was a ship of war, cruiser or armed vessel in the service of either of the said belligerents, or belonging to the subjects of either, by adding to the number of guns of such vessels, or by changing those on board of her for guns of larger caliber, or by the addition therein of any equipment solely applicable to war.

11—Beginning, or setting on foot, or providing or preparing the means for any military expedition or enterprise to be carried on from the territory, or jurisdiction of the United States against the territory or dominions of either of the said belligerents.

USE OF AMERICAN WATERS.

And I do hereby further declare and proclaim that any frequenting and use of the waters within the territorial jurisdiction of the United States by the armed vessels of either belligerents, whether public ships or privateers, for the purpose of preparing for hostile operations, or as ports of observations upon the ships of war or privateers or merchant vessels of the other belligerent, lying within or being about to enter the jurisdiction of the United States, must be regarded as unfriendly and offensive and in violation of that neutrality which it is the determination of this government to observe; and to the end that the hazard and inconvenience of such apprehended practices may be avoided, I further proclaim and declare that from and after the 15th day of February instant and during the continuance of the present hostilities between Japan and Russia, no ship of war or privateer of either belligerent shall be permitted to make use of any port, harbor, roadstead, or waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United States from which a vessel of the other belligerent (whether the same shall be a ship of war, a privateer, or a merchant ship) shall have previously departed until after the expiration of at least 24 hours from the departure of such last mentioned vessel beyond the jurisdiction of the United States.

If any ship of war or privateer of either belligerent shall, after the time of this notification takes effect, enter any port, harbor, roadstead or waters of the United States, such vessel shall be required to depart and to put to sea within 24 hours after her entrance into such port, harbor, roadstead or waters, except in case of stress of weather or of her requiring provisions or things necessary for the subsistence of her crew or for repairs; in either of which cases the authorities of the port or of the nearest port (as the case may be) shall require her to put to sea as soon as possible after the expiration of such period of 24 hours without permitting her to take in supplies beyond what may be necessary for her immediate use; and no such vessel which may have been permitted to remain within the waters of the United States for the purpose of repair shall continue within such port, harbor, roadstead or waters for a longer period than 24 hours after her necessary repairs shall have been completed, unless within such 24 hours, a vessel, whether ship of war, privateer, or merchant ship of the other belligerent, shall have departed therefrom, in which case the time limited for the departure of such ship of war or privateer shall be extended so far as may be necessary to secure an interval of not less than 24 hours between such departure and that of any ship of war, privateer or merchant ship of the other belligerent which may have previously quit the same port, harbor, roadstead or waters. No ship of war, or privateer of either belligerent shall be detained in any port, harbor or roadstead or waters of the United States more than 24 hours, by reason of the successive departures from such port, harbor, roadstead or waters of more than one vessel of the other belligerent. But if there be several vessels of each or either of the two belligerents in the same port, harbor, roadstead or waters, the order of their departure therefrom shall be so arranged as to afford the opportunity of leaving alternately to the vessels of the respective belligerents, and to cause the least detention consistent with the objects of this proclamation. No ship of war or privateer of either belligerent shall be permitted, while in any port, harbor, roadstead or waters within the jurisdiction of the United States to take in any supplies except provisions and such other things as may be requisite for the subsistence of her crew and except so much coal only as may be sufficient to carry such vessel, if without any sail power, to the nearest port of her own country; or in case the vessel is rigged to go under sail, and may also be propelled by steam power, then with half the quantity of coal which she would be entitled to receive, if dependent upon steam alone, and no coal shall be again supplied to any such ship of war or privateer in the same or any other port, harbor, roadstead or waters of the United States, without special permission, until after the expiration of three months from the time when such coal may have been last supplied to her within the waters of the United States, unless such ship or privateer shall, since last thus supplied, have entered a port of the government to which she belongs.

TERMS OF TREATY.

And, I further declare and proclaim that by the first article of the convention as to the rights of neutrals at sea which was concluded between the United States of America and his majesty, the emperor of all the Russias, on the 22d day of July, A. D., 1854, the following principles were recognized as permanent and immutable, to wit:

1 That free ships make free goods; that is to say, that the effects or goods belonging to subjects or citizens of a power or state at war are free from capture and confiscation when found on board of neutral vessels, with the exception of articles of contraband of war.

2. That the property of neutrals on board an enemy's vessel is not subject to confiscation, unless the same be contraband of war.

And I further declare and proclaim that the statutes of the United States and the law of nations alike require that no person within the territory and jurisdiction of the United States shall take part, directly or indirectly, in the said war, but shall remain at peace with each of the said belligerents, and shall maintain a strict and impartial neutrality and that whatever privilege shall be accorded to one of the belligerents within the ports of the United States shall in like manner be accorded to the other.

I do hereby enjoin all the good citizens of the United States, and all persons residing or being within the territory or jurisdiction of the United States, to observe the laws thereof and to commit no act contrary to the provisions of the said statutes, or in violation of the law of nations in that behalf.

And I do hereby warn all citizens of the United States and all persons residing or being within their territory or jurisdiction that while the free and full expression of sympathy in public and private is not restricted by the laws of the United States, military force in aid of either belligerent cannot lawfully be originated or organized within their jurisdiction; and that while all persons may lawfully, and without restriction by reason of the aforesaid state of war, manufacture and sell within the United States arms and munitions of war, and other articles ordinarily known as "contraband of war," yet they cannot carry such articles upon the high seas for the use or service of either belligerent nor can they transport soldiers and officers of either or attempt to break any blockade which may be lawfully established and maintained during the war without incurring the risk of hostile capture and the penalties denounced by the law of nations in that behalf.

And, I do hereby give notice that all citizens of the United States and others who may claim the protection of the government who may misconduct themselves in the premises, will do so at their peril, and that they can in no wise obtain any protection from the government of the United States against the consequences of their misconduct.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this 11th day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-eighth.

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BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 12.—Baltimore is gradually resuming its normal condition. All the banks are opened today in their temporary quarters, well supplied with funds to meet the demands for weekly payrolls and for all ordinary needs. Hundreds of depositors were at the banks early with checks which were promptly cashed. Next Monday the regular clearings will begin. The vaults of all the national banks in Baltimore have now been opened, the last one having been inspected today and in each the contents were found to be unharmed. Charles C. Homer, president of the clearing house association, expressed himself today as being more hopeful than ever as to the quick restoration of healthy financial conditions in Baltimore.

To minimize as far as possible the hardships under which the inhabitants now suffer, Mayor McLane and his municipal associates have decided to temporarily suspend the collection of taxes and water rents. It having been discovered that the city has enough money on hand, as the result of large collections in January, to meet all requirements for an indefinite period.

Mayor McLane has called a special session of the city council to meet tonight to consider whether any legislation is needed in the matter, conditions for the realignment of public thoroughfares in the burned district and the re-construction of buildings. Several insurance claims were paid today and leading agents here say that at least $10,000,000 have already been paid out and that many millions in checks have been received here and are now on deposit ready to be paid out after some partial adjustments have been made. They state that the big companies have deposited a much larger amount in New York subject to the order of agents.

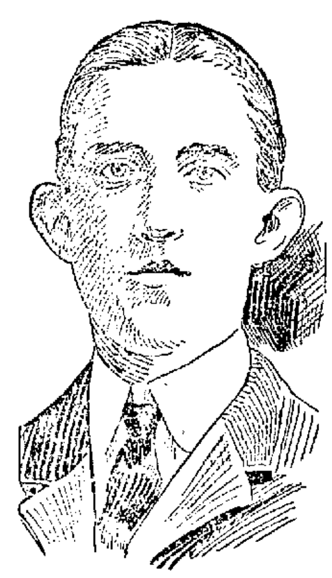
At a conference held today between Mayor Robert McLane and the citizens committee, it was decided that no call would be made for outside assistance to relieve the distressed situation caused by the fire. If it is found necessary later on, the municipality will float a loan to meet all needs.

M. Little & Co., Bridge street corner Third, give double green stamps with each wrapper sold today and tomorrow. Big line of "Reliance Corsette" house dresses in stock.

ANNUAL REUNION

Of St. Peter's Parish at Huntington Hall

Huntington hall was the scene of another joyous party last evening, the third in succession to be conducted in this hall by Catholic societies. The occasion last evening and the one to which all roads led was the annual parish sociable and reunion of St. Peter's church, and for attendance and merriment the affair will long be remembered. As is always the case the affairs conducted by St. Peter's are



THOMAS J. McDERMOTT,
Floor Director.

very largely attended, the attendance not only embracing those within the confines of the parish but from other parishes, also as well as several non-Catholics.

The Tabernacle society had much to do with the details of the work.

The decorations last evening in and about the hall were exquisite, to say the least. The stage was liberally dotted with potted plants and ferns and overhead suspended from the proscenium were the letters in vari-colored incandescents: "Welcome." The auditorium looked resplendent bedecked with bunting of green and white, streamers of which were suspended from the centre of the hall to the sides of the gallery. Around the sides of the gallery were folds of bunting of white and green with tassels. Suspended at intervals from the gallery were huge baskets of artificial roses. On the whole the effect was very striking and evoked much comment.

AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE.

The afternoon was given over to the children of the parish and the entertainment provided more than delighted the young folks. The hall was crowded when at 3 o'clock the program opened. Miss Belle Lavigne sang a pretty little song. Miss Caroline Tyrrell, who has time and again danced herself into favor, won new laurels by her graceful movements. Other numbers were contributed by talent from one of the local theatres. A skit entitled "A Haunted House," was also presented by Joseph O'Connell and John Quinn, which provoked no end of amusement. Misses Harriet Gormley and Rose Nugent directed the entertainment.

EVENING ENTERTAINMENT.

Of course the main portion of the reunion took place in the evening and the 2500 people who found seats in the hall were well satisfied.

At 8 p. m., the schedule hour for the opening of the entertainment, every seat in the gallery was taken. G. M. Harrigan, general manager, and his assistant, Dr. Edw. M. Murphy, were kept busy in the early evening attending to the comforts of the gathering while the members of the reception committee lent valuable assistance.

The entertainment was opened shortly after 8 o'clock.

Following the entertainment general dancing was engaged in until 1 o'clock, to the music of the Colonial orchestra.

The officers are: General manager, George M. Harrigan; assistant, Dr. Edward M. Murphy; floor director, Thomas J. McDermott; assistant, Edward Bushnell.

Chief aide—C. J. Mulholland, William D. Regan, Eugene Crane, Francis Murphy.

Aids—Peter Flood, John A. Green, John Gleason, John L. McDonough, Joseph H. Flynn, Arthur McQuade, William Murphy, George Gendron, John J. Flood, John F. Dorris, John F. McCann, William F. Gately, Geo. W. Murphy, Joseph Leary, Ed. Hundley, James Madden, Patrick Pyne, Charles J. Mulholland, Walter Shaw, John J. Wade, Dennis Madden, William Sheeley, Edward Lyons, Charles Murphy, George Murphy, John H. Pyne, George H. Whalen, Fred M. Flaherty, Joseph F. McGirr, Thos. A. Ginty, Charles Foye, John Madden, John Thornton, George Lund, George Gendrin.

Reception committee—James B. Casey, chairman; John F. Connors, Daniel F. Reilly, James E. Gorman, Dr. Thomas F. Carroll, Charles Donohue, Michael McGlinchey, Bernard C. O'Neill, James H. Madden, Michael H. McDonough, John Nolan, Martin Hyde, John H. Corbett, Joseph F. Egan, Cornelius F. Cainin, Peter J. Brady, Peter F. Conaton, Joseph Flynn, James H. McDermott, Charles J. Mulholland, James J. Murphy, J. Joseph O'Connor, Esq., Fred H. Rourke, James E. Donnelly, Wm. F. Thornton, Peter A. Clune, Francis M. Fagan, Andrew Healey, James F. Morrison, Frank J. O'Hare, John A. Sadlier, Dr. Edward J. Welch, Michael Corbett, Joseph Donohue, Daniel Cosgrove, John P. Mahoney, John J. Duff, John J. O'Connell, Thos. F. Sheehan, Dr. George P. Madden, Philip McNulty, Joseph H. Gormley, Patrick F. Welch, Edward F. Martin, James F. Miskella, Edward G. Twohey, Patrick F. McNulty, Jeremiah Driscoll, Dr. John F. Boyle, John J. O'Rourke, Patrick Fitzgibbons, Dr. Charles E. Donlan, John F. Rogers, John A. McKenna, David Gerow, Michael J. Guthrie, Charles L. Marren, Charles D. Slattery, John E. Roach, William F. Boyle, Daniel J. Donahue, Patrick R. McHugh, Martin J. Courtney, Patrick J. Gallagher, John J. Gilbride, Michael J. Maher, John H. Chambers, William F. Devlin, Martin J. Crowe, John J. McQuade, Avery Marshall, John E. Enwright, Edward J. Higgins, George E. Richards, Frank L. Mealey, Michael Reynolds, Charles B. Whalen, George B. Jeffers, Myles Burns, Dennis J. Cooney, Walter F. Flaherty, James F. McGarvey, John P. McCarthy, John Warburton, Patrick Guthrie, James Carroll, Frank J. Sullivan, E. D. Lyons, Philip Ginty, Thomas A. Sheehan, James J. Ward, James J. McMannon, Edward Lee, Benjamin Maloney, James Mulligan, John M. Murphy, Henry Quirbach, Joseph H. Herrick, Frank J. Campbell, Dr. James F. Loughran, Daniel F. Carroll, Michael J. Markham, Henry Carroll, James F. Corbett, James E. Richards, Walter H. Bagshaw, Thomas F. Meagher, Joseph Meaney, Edward G. Black, Frank J. Carolin, George P. Gately, Edward Farrell, John F. Egan, John Drain, James F. Hornby, Joseph C. Hurley, James M. McGreevy, Charles P. Kirby, Frank A. Donahue, George B. McKenna, Philip McLaughlin, Edward J. O'Connell, Michael F. Rafferty, William D. Raygan, Patrick Rogers, George M. Rooney, Charles F. Tunnelty, Philip Breen, John P. Donnelly, Michael Gorman, Arthur McCann, Patrick E. O'Neill, Richard A. Tarrage, John E. Shea, Peter Sheehan, Jr., Frederick A. Smith; John W. Sharkey secretary.

DR. EDWARD M. MURPHY,
Ass't General Manager.

The various tables were presided over by the following ladies of the parish:

Lemonade table—Matron, Miss Katherine Quinn; assistants, Mrs. Jeremiah Driscoll, Miss Mary Quinn, Miss Josephine Quinn, Miss Mary McNamee, Miss Delia Keenan, Miss Katherine Laughlin, Miss Mary Barrett, Miss Mary McOwen, Miss Anna Coughlin, Miss Madeline Driscoll, Miss Dorothy Driscoll, Miss Katherine Kelly, Miss Mary Cryan, Miss Mary Gaffney, Miss Gertrude McQuade, Miss Elizabeth Cassidy, Miss Josephine Barrett, Miss Mary E. Carroll, Miss Regina Girard, Miss Nora Pine, Miss Agnes Cassidy, Miss Minnie Donahue, Miss Kathryn McGuire, Miss Katherine M. King, Miss Margaret C. Riley, Miss Josie Conway, Miss Elizabeth Murningham, Miss Cassie Tobin, Miss Chrissie Kane, Miss Delia Conley, Miss Katie Kevill, Miss Mollie Donohoe, Miss Mollie Duffy, Miss Mary Tobin.

Candy table—Delia T. Brady, matron; Mrs. Frank Campbell, Mrs. James Donohue, Mrs. William Dailey, Mrs. Edward Kerwin, Mrs. James McCarthy, Mrs. E. Herrick, Mrs. Henry Rourk, Mrs. Joseph Donohue, Mrs. Gerow, Mrs. William Murphy, Misses Sadie E. Tully, Rose Kane, Margaret

EDWARD F. BUSHNELL,
Assistant Floor Director.

Connors, Nellie Tully, Grace Gormley, Annie Doherty, Nellie Hunt, Nellie O'Connell, Margaret Howe, Minnie Hill, Nellie Mahoney, Minnie Brady, Alice Dorothy, Sadie Donovan, Vera Moody, Margaret Corbett, Katherine Brady Marietta Gormley, Lena Bagshaw, Mary Tobin, Augusta Fagin, Annie Duffy, May Campbell, M. Driscoll, Zita Smaller, Nellie Whelley, Grace Crowley, Katherine Fagan, Nellie Donahoe, Sadie Newton.

Refreshment Table—Mrs. Miles F. Burns, matron; Mrs. P. F. Kane, Mrs. J. W. Kane, Mrs. Charles Kirby, Mrs. Fred Sherrow, Mrs. John Nolan, Mrs. John J. Donnelly, Mrs Edward Kerwin, Mrs. Martin Courtney, Mrs. William Thornton, Mrs. P. H. Donohue, Mrs. Owen Donohue, Mrs. James Donohoe, Mrs. Henry Maguire, Mrs. John J. Corbett, Mrs. John McQuade, Mrs. J. W. McKennedy, Mrs. Daniel Roarke, Mrs. James J. McCarty, Mrs. Daniel J. Donahue, Mrs. Edward O'Connell, Mrs. John Sullivan, Mrs. T. A. Maloney, Mrs. Lizzie McGovern, Mrs. Walter Bagshaw, Mrs. J. J. O'Dwyer, Mrs. Catherine Pyne, Mrs. George Wilkins, Mrs. John Gill, Miss Kittie Short, Miss Jennie Maguire, Miss Margaret McDavitt, Miss Anna Webster, Miss Winifred Harrington, Miss Nellie McGovern, Miss Hannah Finton, Miss Lizzie Stowell, Miss Sadie McCarmac, Miss Bridget McCann, Miss Mary McQuade, Miss Mary Pyne, Miss Winifred Madden, Miss Mary Sedlier, Miss Etta Freeman, Miss Rose Duff, Miss Mary O'Connell, Miss Alice Reagan, Miss Alice Kane, Miss Josie Shine, Miss Kittie Kivell, Miss Elizabeth Cassidy, Miss Mary Cassidy, Miss Margaret Reilly, Miss Fannie Donovan.

You've been before. Come again Saturday night, Mohairs' social, Odd Fellows' temple.

FLEUR DE LIS CLUB

BRILLIANT SOCIAL EVENT IN ASSOCIATE HALL.

The quarterly reunion of the Fleur de Lis Social club was held at Associate hall last evening and like the other parties conducted by this popular organization, it proved to be a grand success both from a social and a financial standpoint. There was a large gathering, including members and friends of the club.

Progressive whist and dancing were the attractions of the evening. In the early part of the evening whist was played, 25 tables being arranged around the floor, and for over an hour that popular game was enjoyed. This was followed by dancing, which continued until midnight.

The prize winners were announced by J. H. Guilette and were captured by the following: First, 35 points, Miss Marie Desilets, a jewel box, and Horace Desilets, an umbrella; second, 32 points, Miss Amanda Monette, a gold clock and Isadore Tetrault, a gold stick pin; third, 28 points, Mrs. Massicotte, a silk collarette and James Massicotte, a pack of cards. First booby prize was a box of Vital Force and was captured by Miss Marie Lanthier, and second was three doctors' prescriptions, one to be taken at breakfast, one after lunch and the third at dinner time; Miss Georgie Lambert was awarded the three slips of paper.

Prior to the card playing the Middlesex orchestra rendered the following concert program:

March, "Under the American Eagle," .... Ellis
Serenade, "My Moon Beam Maid," .... Roberts
Caprice, "Moon Moths" .... Ellis
Medley, "Fleur de Lis" .... Beyer
Galop, "Lovers' Flight" ...... Christie

This program was followed by other selections which were played at intervals while whist was in progress.

The officers of the party were: Homer L. P. Turcotte, president; Joseph Carrier, chairman; assisted by Leon Crepeau, Lucien T. L. Turcotte, Majorique Cossette and Donat Blazon.

The judges of the whist tournament were: Messrs. J. H. Guillet, A. A. Parent, Dr. A. Payette, J. C. Mansean, A. Bergeron, Dr. L. A. Hurtubise and Joseph Harvey.

While the games were being played the following members of the Fleur de Lis served in the capacity of scorers: Messrs. Donat Rousseau, Homer Allard, Leon Crepeau, Albert Paquin, Alfred Parent, Homer Gill, Joseph Provast, under the personal direction of President Homer L. P. Turcotte.

Mr. Thomas Goyette was master of ceremonies.

Messrs. Louis and Charles Morrette presided over the check room.

LANDLORDS.

If you have a tenement idle that rents for $15 a month, you are losing 50 cents a day every day it is vacant. A little ad. in The Sun "To Let" column will rent your tenement in a very few days. Others have tried it with good results; why don't you try it?

AT WOMEN'S CLUB

Miss Devereaux at the Sociology Department

SPOKE INTERESTINGLY ON VACATION SCHOOLS

Miss Adelaide Baker Also Gave Address

The department of sociology of the Middlesex Women's club of which Mrs. George L. Hooper is president, provided an interesting program at the club yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Sara Snow Griffin was expected to read a paper on "The Evolution of Sociology" but was unable to be present.

In her place Miss Adelaide Baker gave a very interesting account of "The Social Studio of Bristol Ferry, R. I."

Bristol, the Pocanokot of the Indians was, she said, beautifully situated on a peninsula, extending into Narragansett bay on the south. The arm of the bay on the east side, towards Fall River, is called Mount Hope bay. The gentle eminence between these two bays, proudly designated as the highest land of Rhode Island, is Mount Hope, once the residence of King Philip.

This is the site of the Bristol Ferry Social Studio, which was built and is maintained by a philanthropic lady, who does not care to have her name appear. Its object is to encourage friendly, helpful social life in the neighborhood. Croquet grounds and tennis courts are laid out near the building, while within is a large room, with a platform at one end, and a fireplace on the side—a cheerful hall, so completely hung with pictures that it resembled an art gallery. Two large tables are covered with books and the latest and best magazines and a writing desk is supplied with stationery. Classes have been organized in pyrography, basketry, wood carving, painting and instruction in sewing is given to the girls of the neighborhood. Games of many kinds are provided and several evenings a week the Portuguese, who are quite numerous in this section, are taught the elementary branches. One evening a week those of mature age play whist upon the platform previously spoken of, while the young folks dance. Lectures and entertainments are given at intervals. All these privileges are free to all who will use and not abuse the favors offered. There are but two restrictions, neither smoking nor gambling is allowed. When whist is played no prizes are offered. The Social Studio has brought happiness and pleasure to the community where it is located, and it might well be duplicated in many rural districts.

VACATION SCHOOLS.

Miss Anna W. Devereaux, principal of the local kindergartens, spoke most interestingly on her experiences with vacation schools.

The local movement to provide summer pleasures for the little ones was begun in 1899 by the ladies of the Middlesex club. Two teachers and volunteer assistants worked for six weeks at the Mann school, and later, similar work was done at the Franklin and Lakeview avenue schools. One year the city council appropriated $1500 for vacation schools, but last year, they deemed it inexpedient to do so. Many children of parents of limited means are obliged to work so steadily that they really do not know how to play; if given a toy, they know not how to use it. They are not in need of industrial education, but they should be taught to play and to treat each other with consideration. When a certain local summer school was opened, about 10 large boys, between the ages of 10 and 14, took possession of the grounds on the first morning, before the teachers arrived. What to do with them was a problem, and Miss Devereaux proposed that they go to a school where industrial education was being taught. They looked disappointed, and she told them she needed helpers to prevent the small children from using the fence as a means of entrance and exit from the yard, and if they would help in other ways they might stay. The large boys were delighted and named themselves "The Fence Cops," and they were very faithful in the discharge of their duties.

One young fellow, who was quite a comedian, and was paid a nightly salary of $2.00 at a local theatre, was impolite to one of the teachers, and was denied the privilege of entering the yard. After remaining outside the fence for one day, he said to the teacher, "For the love of God, let me in." He was allowed to return and gave no further trouble. The effort was made to raise the standard of right and wrong. Sewing was introduced for the girls and basketry for the boys. All were delighted to carry home an article that was something of a luxury.

Miss Devereaux raised money by subscription to purchase dolls for the girls in her school, and solicited pieces of evening dresses from lady friends. She next asked each girl to write her favorite color. Having secured boxes, she deposited a doll and material for its wardrobe within and placed a parcel in each girl's desk. "And," said the speaker, "I wish you could have seen the faces when the boxes were opened." Each pupil was allowed to make the dresses as she desired, and forty of the sixty were fashioned in the height of the prevailing style.

Vacation schools are a great success, and through them the children obtain a glimpse of something they will never have, unless they get it at that age.

Tea was served by the hospitality committee, Mrs. Mary A. Plunkett, chairman.

MAN ARRESTED

Dynamite Found on the Steamer Majestic

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 12.—The customs officials this morning found 18 pounds of dynamite and 3,360 detonators in the possession of an Austrian emigrant on board the White Star line steamer Majestic which left New York Feb. 3 and arrived here yesterday.

The Austrian's trunk had a false bottom in which the dynamite was concealed. The man who gave the name of Ivan Sjubeanolo and who ostensibly was bound for Carlsbad, was arrested and remanded until Feb. 20.

COLLIER BEACHED

Was Rammed by the Gunboat Concord

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—The mail steamer San Jose, just arrived from South American ports brought the information that the United States navy collier Nero had been rammed by the gunboat Concord in the harbor at Panama. The injuries sustained by the collier were so serious that she had to be beached. The Concord was not injured.

CHIEF YEGGMAN

Will be Tried in Suffolk County

SALEM, Mass., Feb. 12—Frank Hayden, the alleged leader of the gang of burglars who broke into the office of the National Pop Corn works in Lynn and who has been in jail here awaiting trial on that charge, was taken to Boston today on a writ of habeas corpus. He is wanted there on the charge of having been one of the gang who broke into the office of the Metropolitan Coal company in East Boston and assaulted the watchman.

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To Be Sold at a Fraction of Its Real Worth

Immediately after our great fire we notified manufacturers and importers to cancel all orders for future delivery, expecting of course they would readily do so. However, a few refused and insisted upon shipping at once. As a result we have today a few cases of Men's and Women's Underwear, Men's Madras Shirts, and five cases of White Mercerized Fabrics for shirt waists that are being offered today at Fire Sale Prices, which means a discount on the cost price. In a casual survey of our stocks yesterday we found the following extraordinary values:—

On the Underwear Counter

Ladies' All Wool Vests in natural or camel's hair (sizes 32 or 34 only), $1.25 and $1.50 quality..........Fire Price 59c per Garment

Ladies' Combination Suits, silk or wool, all wool or half wool, qualities that sold from $2.00 to $3.00 each.
Fire Prices 75c, $1.00 and $1.25 Each

Children's Combination Suits in heavy cotton, fleece lined, 50c quality.
Fire Price 25c per Garment

Children's Combination Suits, two-thirds wool, natural color, $1.00 quality ....Fire Price 50c per Garment

Children's Sleeping Robes in natural color, among which are the celebrated Dr. Dent's and silk fleece garments, 50c and 75c quality.
Fire Price 35c per Garment

On the Ribbon Counter

Thousands of yards of Satin Ribbon, 2 to 3 inches wide, in a wide range of colors and shades in lengths ranging from 1 to 3 yards.
Fire Price 2c per Yard

Thousands of yards of Taffeta Ribbon, 3 inches wide, in a good range of colors ....Fire Price 5c per Yard

500 cartons of Wash Taffeta and Satin Ribbon, every color and shade you may desire, 4 inches wide, 25c quality.
Fire Price 15c per Yard

On the Toilet Counter

Colgate's Dental and Talcum Powder	12½c per Bottle
Mennen's Talcum Powder	12½c per Bottle
Comfort Powder	12½c per Bottle
Colgate's Toilet Soap	5c a Cake
Colgate's Perfumes, 50c quality	25c per Ounce
Rogers & Gallet Perfumes, 79c quality	60c per Ounce

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There are fully 25 different combinations of colors in this lot of Shirts—all new designs.

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AT LINCOLN CLUB

Anniversary Banquet and Speechmaking

REP. HAM'S PANEGYRIC ON LINCOLN

Solon W. Stevens' Early Experience

A fine menu and good speaking marked the annual dinner of the Lincoln club which was held last night in Odd Fellows' temple in Middlesex street. During the early part of the evening an orchestra discoursed pleasant music, after which a fine dinner was served in the banquet hall. After the menu was discussed the cigars were passed around and the chairs were pushed back while the assembly listened to panegyrics on Lincoln, the martyred president.

Horton H. Hilton, the president of the club, after thanking the members for the interest they had taken in the annual dinners and also the different meetings of the club, introduced Mr. Alonzo G. Walsh as toastmaster of the evening. Mr. Walsh after thanking the chair and the members of the club for the honor bestowed upon him, spoke in a patriotic vein of the life of Lincoln and in referring to the proclamation of emancipation said: "What he did was done in order to preserve the United States."

The speaker then introduced His Honor Mayor Howe who responded to the toast "Our City."

MAYOR HOWE.

In the course of his remarks the mayor said that the city of Lowell was in as good condition as any of her sister cities. That the city had had some disastrous fires but owing to the

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good fire department the city has been saved from heavy losses. He then went on to speak of the license bill which is now before the legislative committee. He thought it was wrong for the state to tax the cities for half the license fee and hoped that the senators and representatives of this community would defeat the bill if it reached the house. He closed by saying: "As Mayor Collins of Boston says, the cities are spending too much money and the state is spending too much money. In a little while we will not be able to raise money under the $12 tax rate to pay our debts. This will have to be stopped. We have got to practice economy. The revenue of every city in the commonwealth has been reduced and the expenses have been increased. This club should have a wide influence in taking this in hand and trying to better it in every way."

SOLON W. STEVENS.

The next speaker was Solon W. Stevens who responded to the toast "Abraham Lincoln." He spoke in part as follows: "We have met here tonight to celebrate the 95th anniversary of the most unique character in the last three-quarters of the 19th century." He told of the birth of great men in the year 1808 and said that the five greatest papers in the history of the world were the Magna Charter, the Compact in the Mayflower, the Declaration of Independence, the constitution of the United States and the emancipation proclamation of Abraham Lincoln. He said that Lincoln after all was the central figure.

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Continuing, he said: "I cast my first vote for Abraham Lincoln as president of the United States. In my college days I had the friendship and the intimate acquaintance of John Hay, who is now the secretary of state. When I learned that Lincoln had secured him as his private secretary I made up my mind to secure a good position at the inauguration, and when President Lincoln delivered his first inaugural address at Washington I stood within 15 or 20 feet of him."

The speaker then went on to tell that the people of the United States at that time were beginning to realize that the negroes in the south should not be sold as chattels, but should be free men according to the constitution of the United States. After touching upon the life and duties of President Lincoln the speaker said that Lincoln had stated that if slavery was not wrong then nothing was wrong. The speaker then described the inaugural address of Lincoln. After telling why the negroes should be free men the speaker said: "No anarchy has ever been bred in Uncle Tom's Cabin. It was a white man who assassinated Lincoln. It was a white man who struck down Garfield and it was a white man who shot down McKinley."

His speech was received with rousing cheers and he was tendered a rising vote of thanks.

HON. GUY A. HAM.

The next speaker was Hon. Guy A. Ham, a representative in the legislature from Boston. He responded to the toast, "Lincoln and the United States, the man and land of destiny." He spoke in part as follows:

Tonight I would call your attention to the subject "Lincoln and the United States, the man and land of destiny." When I use the term destiny I speak of it as a plan of divine Providence whereby there spring out of an unknown family, under the most adverse circumstances, a man who was to prove the Savior of his people and whereby there was planted on this soil a nation that despite the most destructful war in the history of mankind, has contributed more to the progress of the world than any other nation in a similar period of time.

As we contemplate the life of Lincoln we stand amazed at the obstacles that were overcome and the success which crowned his efforts. That life represents the power that is produced under democratic forms of government and which contributes to the general welfare of the people.

It seems impossible to speak of the character of Lincoln in words of extravagant eulogy or exaggerated praise. Truthfulness and honesty were traits of character that predominated in his public and private life and when he was elected to public office courage to stand for what was right marked his entire career from the legislature to the presidential office:

No one realized better than Lincoln the responsibility that he must assume when he went to Washington. Just previous to his election he gave utterance to these words: "I know there is a God, and that he hates injustice and slavery. I see the storm coming and I know His hand is in it. If He has a place and work for me—and I think He has—I believe that I am ready. I am nothing, but truth is everything. I know that I am right because I know that liberty is right, for Christ teaches it and Christ is God. I have told them that a house divided against itself cannot stand and Christ and reason say the same. Douglas doesn't care whether slavery is voted up or down, but God cares, and humanity cares, and I care, and with God's help I shall not fail."

In the period of four months that elapsed between his election and inauguration he was obliged to remain powerless and in helpless anguish and watch the development of plans for the disruption of the government.

Upon him would fall the duty of saving the government which its enemies were engaged in destroying. Every hour new difficulties were added to the burden that he must finally assume. The north was stripped of its weapons of defence by the traitors in Buchanan's cabinet; the south was furnished with the supplies that would be needed in the event of a contest and state after state had announced their intention of secession. With what anguish he noted these developments is best described in his own language: "I have read upon my knees the story of Gethsemane, where the Son of God prayed in vain that the cup of bitterness might pass from him. I am in the Garden of Gethsemane now and my cup of bitterness is full to overflowing."

Lincoln and the United States, the Man and the Land of Destiny. The lives of each of them are linked inseparately together during the most dramatic period in our history. Through the inspiration of Lincoln's teachings the Union and the Constitution was saved and across that Constitution there was written in the blood of 400,000 souls an assurance that liberty and freedom should be granted to all.

In his Gettysburg address Lincoln had remarked: "The world will little note what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here." The world, however, can never forget the teachings of Abraham Lincoln. "He being dead yet speaketh." As the crucifixion and resurrection of the Christ was the triumph of immorality over death, so too that supreme sacrifice on the altar of the nation was the everlasting canonization of Lincoln in the hearts of the American people. And as that soul wended its flight upward to meet its God, of whom he had continually besought divine guidance, must it not have received that divine benediction, "Well done good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord."

THE OTHER SPEAKERS.

Ex-Senator Frost was the next speaker, and he was followed by Mr. Lawrence J. Cummings, who spoke on "Lincoln and the Newspaper Fraternity," telling in a brief manner what the newspapermen did in the life of the martyred president. Senator James H. McKinley was then introduced and in the course of his remarks partly in answer to Mayor Howe, said that he thought that the governor was wrong in regard to the license bill. He said that he was against the license bill and said that he did not think it would ever reach the general court.

The last speaker of the evening was Frank E. Dunbar, Esq., who was introduced by Toastmaster Walsh as "The man who is giving me a good deal of trouble at the present time."

THE WAR SITUATION IN THE FAR EAST

RUSSIA:—The Japanese Kovitch has given me a Blackeyeski

MATRIMONIAL

The marriage of Mr. Ernest Perron of this city and Mrs. Malvina Janson of Fall River, took place Wednesday at St. Anne's rectory, in that city, Rev. Fr. Dullaire of the Dominican order performing the ceremony. Mr. Prosper Cossette of Lowell was witness for the groom and the bride's witness was her brother, Mr. Ferdinand Gullet of New Bedford. After the ceremony the bridal party repaired to Boston where a wedding dinner was served at the Hotel Miensett. The party then came to Lowell where a reception was held at the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. Oliver Perron, Moody street.

The choir Rossini of which the groom is a member, was present at the reception and rendered several entertaining selections.

Mr. and Mrs. Perron will live at 48 Hamlet street, Fall River.

SHEDD—HINDLE.

The marriage of Harry L. Shedd, a well known resident of South Lowell, and Miss Maud Hindle of this city took place Wednesday evening at the bride's home, 72 South Whipple street.

The parlor where the nuptial rites were solemnized by Rev. N. W. Matthews of the Gorham Street Primitive Methodist church, was beautifully decorated with rich and rare exotics. Preceding the wedding ceremony, and as the bridal cortege approached the parlor to plight their nuptial vows the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march were heard, Miss Maud Barber presiding at the piano. A large number of guests were present from Lowell, Boston and Medford. A delectable wedding collation was served and an entertainment of varied character added to the pleasures of what proved a joyous evening. A profusion of costly wedding gifts were presented to the happy couple. Mr. and Mrs. Shedd took the 9.30 p. m. train on their bridal journey and on their return will reside at 275 Talbot street, South Lowell.

ENO—FLINT.

Mr. Odavus A. Eno of 72 C street and Miss Ella G. Flint of 210 Shaw street were united in marriage on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 4.30 p. m. by Rev. George F. Kenngott at his residence, 296 Liberty street.

LURVEY—DURGIN.

A pretty wedding took place Tuesday evening in Dracut when Ray Lurvey and Miss Gladys Durgin were married at the home of the bride's parents in Stone street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. T. Kelley, pastor of the Centre Congregational church. Mr. and Mrs. Lurvey received many beautiful and substantial wedding gifts. They will live in Dracut.

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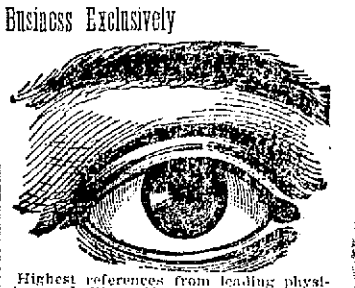

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Seven of the Democratic Presidential Possibilities

GROVER CLEVELAND has never been particularly free in talking of his plans, and just now he has the politicians guessing as to whether or not he is really a candidate for president. He was three times the nominee, he and Mr. Bryan having been the only Democratic candidates in twenty years. Mr. Cleveland is sixty-six years of age and lives in New Jersey, the state in which he was born. Though he received only an academic education, he is now a lecturer at Princeton. He is the only living ex-president of the United States.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN is the exact antithesis of Mr. Cleveland, not only in his views, but in personal characteristics. He is as quick as Cleveland is deliberate, as open as Cleveland is reserved, as witty and brilliant as Cleveland is serious and phlegmatic. The two men only resemble in both having inordinate wills and in both having been supreme leaders of their party. Mr. Bryan is not yet forty-four years old and lives farther west than any of the group of possible Democratic presidential nominees.

ARTHUR PUE GORMAN has been mentioned for the presidency for a score of years, yet has never received more than a few scattering votes in a national convention. He began public life as a page in the United States senate, the body in which afterward he was to play an important part. He was born in Maryland in 1839 and has been almost constantly in public life since thirteen years of age. He is quiet in demeanor, but a master tactician. Like Mr. Cleveland, he talks little of his intentions.

ALTON BROOKS PARKER is chief justice of the New York court of appeals and the only New York Democrat that has led a state ticket to victory in ten years. His residence is at Esopus, N. Y. He was born in 1852. Judge Parker declined the position of first assistant postmaster general, afterward held by Adlai E. Stevenson. He has been delegate to state and national conventions and was at one time chairman of the Democratic state executive committee. He has been on the bench for nearly twenty years.

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST is the youngest of the presidential candidates, having been born in California in 1863. He is the son of United States Senator George F. Hearst and of Phebe Hearst, noted for her benefactions to educational and charitable institutions. William R. Hearst is best known as proprietor of the New York Journal, the Chicago American and the San Francisco Examiner. He is at present serving his first term in congress. He is also president of the National League of Democratic Clubs.

RICHARD OLNEY is sixty-eight, the exact age of the oldest president, William Henry Harrison, at the time of inauguration. Mr. Olney had held only one public office—member of the Massachusetts legislature—before being made Mr. Cleveland's attorney general, from which place he was afterward promoted to the state portfolio. He is a distinguished lawyer, holding the degree of LL. D. from Harvard, Brown and Yale. He is the farthest east of the list, being regarded as the New England candidate. His home is in Boston.

FRANCIS MARION COCKRELL is one year older than Mr. Olney, having been born in Missouri in 1834. He was a Confederate brigadier general during the civil war and held various important offices before being elected to the United States senate, in which body he has served for nearly thirty consecutive years. One of his great sources of popularity is that he writes personal answers to nearly every letter he receives and is acquainted with almost every Democratic voter and every Democratic voter's wife in the state of Missouri.

The Men Who Control the Situation In the Far East

IN olden days certain men or women, as the case might be, were referred to as the power behind the throne. In modern times this power has emerged from the shadow and is now in front of the throne. In other words, the people and their representatives have increased, while monarchs have decreased. However marked the individuality of the king and however unlimited his theoretical power, government has become such a complicated affair that he must depend upon others to look after the details and to advise him as to the conditions and requirements of the various departments. It is impossible for him to meet the people directly or to be in personal touch with all the parts of a vast empire. It is not difficult for his trusted ministers to warp his mind, to influence him by advice and to gain larger and larger concessions of power on the plea of saving him from the annoyance of details and in the thousand and one other ways that can be found by the clever man trained in the arts of statecraft and diplomacy. Not many of the hereditary monarchs possess particular

MARQUIS YAMAGATA.

intellectual acumen or great force of character. But the ministers who rise from the ranks must have these qualities in a supreme degree. They are subject to the law of intellectual competition - which, by the way, is quite the fiercest sort of competition—from which he is shielded because of his birth. Thus does it so often happen that the ministers are the real government, while the king is only the symbol; they keen, alert, ambitious; he indulgent, easily swayed and inefficient. The European cabinet officer is the nominal servant, but the real master, of his king.

While the emperors of Russia and Japan are neither of them so completely overshadowed by their supposed secretaries as are some of their royal cousins in other lands, they have not entirely escaped from the eclipse into which monarchy is being cast by the ever growing figure of democracy. When we think of the government of Russia we see the czar, of course, the amiable and almost timid czar in the person of Nicholas, but we also see the cabinet, a palpable, forceful thing. Here is the real Russia, flesh of its flesh and blood of its blood, relentless, even brutal, but always powerful and always for aggrandizement, the very genius of things Muscovite expressed in a governmental machine.

In like manner the thought of Japan suggests Ito. Even when he is not the head of the government, which is the case at present, it is still the person-

COUNT KATSURA.

ality of Ito that symbolizes to the western mind the modern, progressive island empire. We are coming to understand that the mikado is a force and in no little degree directs the course of his government. But when historians are looking for the man that is emblematic of the era of the awakening of Japan they will see not Mutsuhito, who ruled by the alleged divine right of birth, but Marquis Ito, who ruled by the real divine right of genius.

Those writers who delight in comparisons and who really detract from the character of their subject by bringing him into too close proximity with some other overshadowing personality have dubbed Ito "the Gladstone of Japan" or "the Bismarck of Japan." He is neither. He is of a type to himself. There is no statesman in the western world like him. He did for Japan a service that in the very nature of the case could have no parallel on this side of the earth and a greater service so far as the destiny of his people is concerned than it would be possible for an American or European statesman to render. Ito stands alone. He is big enough to carry his own name. He needs no borrowed glamour. He is Ito, whom President Hadley of Yale recently pronounced one of the world's three living greatest men, an opinion with which the average Jap thoroughly agrees, except that he would not in-

MARQUIS ITO.

clude the other two. In the peace negotiations between China and Japan he showed himself a greater man than Li Hung Chang at every point of the diplomatic game. It was the interference of the European powers that forced Ito to give up the Liautong peninsula. Against their combined force even his adroitness was powerless, and he was driven to a concession which finally undermined his influence in Japan and eventuated in his retiring from office in 1901.

Hirobumi Ito when a young man belonged to the Samurai, from the lower grades of which he sprang. At first he bitterly opposed the western innovations even then beginning to make head in the country. So violent was the opposition of an order of young men to which he belonged that he, with others, was under the ban of the government. It was then that he determined to leave the country, which he did by shipping on an English vessel, upon which he was forced to work as a common sailor. He arrived in London with scarcely a dollar, but was never in actual want, as sometimes has been represented. It was his residence in London which revolutionized his ideas and sent him home a convert to western ideas. He was still the conservative in action, however, and it was this conservatism, connected with his prac-

GENERAL TERAUCHI

tical knowledge of the west and its customs, that made him the power he afterward became in the government of his country. He wrote the constitution and in reality is the creator of the new Japan.

Personally he is kindly and shrewd, gentle and persuasive, diplomatic and tactful, yet possessing a mastery of men and affairs such as marks the man born to rule. He is about sixty-four years of age, of medium stature, with high forehead and a face seamed and marked by a life of intense thought and action. Though a private citizen, he must still be reckoned as foremost among those that direct the course of affairs in Japan.

There is one other man not directly connected with the government who has great influence in Japanese affairs. He is the first soldier of the empire, the hero of the war with China, field marshal and commander in chief of the Japanese armies, Marquis Yoritomo Yamagata. He is probably the most popular man in the empire, has frequently been minister of war and premier, is one of the most trusted advisers of the emperor and has participated with distinction in at least three wars. He first served in the army when a boy of twenty, distinguishing himself by leading 2,000 men against 20,000 and repulsing an attack on his native province. He was second in command in the war of restoration and the next year was made premier. In the more recent war with China he was in command at the battle of Pingyang, the decisive land engagement of that struggle.

Marquis Yamagata has been in America several times. The first visit was in 1869, when he spent a year and a half on this continent and in Europe in a study of western civilization. The last time he was on his way as the envoy of the mikado to the coronation of the czar and received distinguished attentions in the chief American and European cities.

General Yamagata is a very quiet man, small and kindly in appearance. He is really the creator of the Japanese army, which he has brought to its present high state of efficiency. He is about the same age as Marquis Ito and, like that great statesman, was of humble birth.

The Japanese cabinet is composed of the following: Premier and minister of the interior, General Count Taro Katsura; foreign affairs, Baron Jutaro Komura; war, General Masatake Terauchi; marine, Admiral Baron Gombei Yamamoto; agriculture and commerce, Baron Keigo Kiyoura; finance, Baron Arasuke Sone; justice, Keichoku Hatano; communications, Kanetake Oura; education, Yuzuru Kubota.

Count Taro Katsura, the premier and minister of the interior, is one of the field marshals of the army and distinguished himself in the war with China, when he was in command of the Third division. He was educated in the German military schools and entered the Japanese army in 1862. He participated in the war of restoration, after which for a number of years he was military attache of the Japanese embassy at Berlin. From 1886 to 1891 he was vice minister of war, in which position he was instrumental in achieving a number of governmental reforms. He has been a member of the cabinet in one capacity or another since 1898 and premier since September, 1901.

Baron Jutaro Komura, minister of foreign affairs, who sent the recent Japanese ultimatum to Russia, was educated in America, having graduated from the law department of Harvard in 1877. He then took postgraduate work for a year, after which he entered the law office of ex-Attorney General Davenport in New York city. There he studied international law for a year, then went to Rochester for another year's study in the office of ex-Commissioner Smith of the United States court of claims. After further study in Europe he returned to Japan, where he entered the department of judiciary, from which in three years he went to the diplomatic service. He was secretary of legation at Peking until called home by the war with China. He organized the civil government in Manchuria and afterward was minister resident to Korea. His most important post, however, prior to that which he is now holding was that of minister to the United States at the time of the Spanish-American war. Baron Komura is about fifty-one years of age.

General Masatake Terauchi, Japanese minister of war, studied in the German universities forty years ago. He entered the army upon his return to Japan, in which he served in various

ADMIRAL ALEXEIEFF.

minor capacities until a short time before the war with China, when he was made a member of the board of strategy of the army, in which capacity he served throughout that conflict. He was made minister of war in September, 1901. General Terauchi, who is about fifty-eight years of age, is known as an able tactician.

Rear Admiral Baron Gombei Yamamoto, minister of marine, has also distinguished himself as a strategist rather than in active service. He comes from the Satsuma clan, as do so many of the other Japanese leaders of the present day. He was educated in [illegible] and was military attache [illegible] Berlin embassy about twenty-tw[illegible] ago. He was vice head of the [illegible] board of strategy during the war with China. Prior to that time he was a colonel in the navy. He is very popular and a comparatively young man, being about fifty-two.

Another important naval man for Japan is Yuko Ito, "t[illegible] little Ito," the admiral who commanded at the Yalu fight and at Port Arthur.

Russia has no statesman of overshadowing fame like Ito and no great national military hero like Yamagata, yet few European nations are served by more able ministers. In the current crisis, however, the man of the hour is not in the cabinet, but is the viceroy of the far east, the personal representative of the czar, the ruler of Siberia and commander of her land and sea forces, Admiral Alexeieff. Russia contains few greater fighters than he, yet most of his victories have been victories of peace. Twice he has practically averted war, once when he held in check the bluff old sea fighter, Admiral Tyrtoff, present minister of marine, and prevented him from attacking the Japanese fleet at Port Arthur

COUNT LAMSDORFF.

until the war cloud blew over, and again he did signal service for the cause of peace when he refused to attack a drunken English officer who ordered an Indian regiment to tear down the Russian flag and seize a section of the Tientsin railway.

Strangely enough, Admiral Alexeieff got his start in America. He was in San Francisco when word came that war between Russia and England was only a matter of hours. It was then that he bought eight commerce destroyers to scour the Atlantic ocean and did it with such expedition that he was made a naval captain and soon after an admiral. Afterward he became aide-de-camp general to the czar. It was about three years ago that he was made viceroy in the east. He captured the Taku forts, relieved Tientsin and rescued Admiral Seymour. He is bluff and hearty, a man of good sense and universally popular.

The Russian cabinet proper is made up as follows: Premier, M. de Witte; foreign affairs, Count Lamsdorff; finance, M. Pleske; interior, M. de Plehve, war, General Kuropatkin; marine, Vice Admiral Tyrtoff; justice, M. Muravieff; public instruction, M. Sengel, public works, M. Khilkoff; agriculture, M. Yermoloff.

For years M. Serghus de Witte was regarded as the most powerful man in Russia. He still is the head of the cabinet, but no longer is finance minister, the post in which he gained his fame. His father was of German origin and belonged to the lower middle class. Young De Witte began life as assistant station master at an obscure railroad station. It was here that he when temporarily in charge disobeyed an order of the war minister concerning the transportation of troops and—saved the troops. This act of insubordi-

M. DE PLEHVE.

nation, which might have sent him to Siberia, really started him toward the head of the cabinet. From this humble start his rise was rapid, though stormy. He instituted reforms and became one of the great finance ministers of Europe.

Count Lamsdorff, like De Witte, is of German origin, but his family is as noble as that of the premier is lowly. For thirty years Lamsdorff has been in the foreign office and finally went to its head. He is probably in this crisis the most powerful man in the cabinet. He is very old and is said not to be a success socially in spite of his high family connections, but he knows the game of diplomacy. His labors in behalf of peace are historic.

M. de Plehve, the minister of the interior, is the man especially hated by the nihilists. He is spoken of in even St. Petersburg as a reactionary. It was charged that he was instrumental in inciting the Kishineff massacre. He is the head of the Russian police system, and those who hate him say he is the most merciless and the most powerful man in the empire. He is a Finn, yet has relentlessly pursued the Finns. He is somber, stolid and laborious, is past sixty-five and has been in the service of the state forty years.

General Alexei Kuropatkin served in campaigns for over thirty years, though now but a few years past fifty. He was in Algeria and saw hard fighting. He

GENERAL KUROPATKIN.

was chief of staff to the famous General Skobeloff in the Russo-Turkish war. Then he went to central Asia, where his career reads like a romance. Forced marches and fierce fighting with half savage tribes would fill its every page. It was here that he became the stern war lord. He is always and everywhere the soldier and one of the world's best writers on military subjects. He was appointed minister of war in 1898.

It was Admiral Tyrtoff, the Russian naval minister, who keenly thirsted to whip the Japs some years ago. The fleets were facing each other, and the old sea fighter was only waiting for final word from St. Petersburg. At last it came, a three word message reading, "Go with God." Tyrtoff was for going just then, but Admiral Alexeieff was the supreme power in the east and believed there was still some possibility of peace. He commanded that no movement be made until the morrow, and then came word from St. Petersburg that the threatened war was off. Tyrtoff was off also, for he wired to the home office, "Go with God yourself." Alexeieff afterward jokingly remarked that it was well the telegraph did not carry the tone of voice in which the message was dictated.

J. A. EDGERTON.

HOW ONE FORTUNE WAS MADE.

In the South African diamond mines the rough gems had until recently to be separated from the hard earth and other mineral substances by hand. The whole mass was dried and softened in the air and then shoveled into washing machines, where the soluble earth was removed. Among the employees in the sorting room was a young boy who one day noticed a diamond and a garnet, both in the rough, on the end of a small board. He tilted the board, and the garnet rolled off, but the diamond stuck fast. Looking more closely, he saw that the board was greasy. This gave him an idea. He got a larger board and tried several kinds of minerals. Invariably the other stones rolled off with a shake or two, while even a thin coating of grease kept all the diamonds in their places. Then this wideawake boy went to work and invented a machine that is now successfully doing the work of diamond picking for all the South African mines, and, needless to say, the young inventor has made an independent fortune just because he kept his eyes open and his wits about him that day when he first noticed the difference in the "sticking qualities" of the gems.

WHERE A NAME COUNTED.

William Tell's existence is still firmly believed in even in these modern, skeptical days by the dwellers on the borders of the lake of Lucerne. They point to the Tell chapel in the "narrow way" at Kussnacht, where Tell shot the tyrant Gessler, and the sister building by the lake side at Tell's Platte, where the popular hero escaped from the Austrians' power, as proof of the reality of the Swiss patriot, and a comical sign of their belief was lately given to some tourists. A party was crossing from Brunnen to visit Gruill, where the Swiss swore to free their country, when one of the passengers addressed a companion as Baron von Gessler. The boatman who was rowing stopped, horror stricken, and cried out, "I would not have a Gessler in my boat for a hundred francs!" So he brought the boat round, rowed back to Brunnen and turned out Herr Gessler and his party in spite of all their protests.

A HABITANT'S LETTER.

This letter was written by a French Canadian to a bicycle firm in Montreal:

mister T. J. Jones and companee, Notre Dame street, Montreal, P. Q.:

Dear Sir: I rerrev de bleykel witch I buy from you alrite but for why you dont send me no saddel, what is de use of da bleykel when She den't have no saddel. I am loose to me my kustomer sure ting by no having de saddel and dats not very pleasure for Me. wat is de matter wit you mister Jones and companee. Is not my monys so good like annoder mans. you loose to me my trade and I am vereo anger for dat an now I tells to you dat you are fools an no good mister T. J. Jones and companee. I send to you back at wence your bleykel tomorro for shure bekause you are such afoolishness ponples. yours respectfullee.

J. P. ST. DENIS.

P. S.—since I rite dis letter I find de saddel in de box, excuse to me.

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a7.01	8.02	e9.00	9.87
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a7.51	8.50	a10.17	11.34
7.45	8.35	c11.30	12.07
8.50	9.40	12.00	12.56
9.40	10.40	e1.00	1.37
11.10	12.03	2.00	3.01
a11.43	12.35	a3.00	3.37
a12.14	1.00	a3.47	5.00
1.40	2.30	4.14	5.30
a1.56	2.39	a5.00	5.37
a3.08	4.20	5.38	6.35
a4.47	4.50	a5.47	6.54
4.25	5.30	6.14	7.50
a5.22	6.15	e7.30	8.08
a5.44	7.00	e8.30	9.08
a6.22	7.05	10.30	11.34
a7.29	8.10	11.30	12.22

SUNDAY TRAINS

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
a6.39	7.30	9.00	10.00
a7.24	8.10	1.00	1.57
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a9.30	10.15	e7.30	8.08
a4.25	5.30	e8.30	9.08
a6.58	7.00	9.00	10.02

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6.50	8.00	7.30	8.34
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.33
9.25	10.39	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.06
12.05	1.34	2.15	3.19
12.45	1.57	3.30	4.55
2.30	3.35	4.30	5.00
3.10	4.10	6.01	7.06
5.05	6.04	6.35	7.48
5.06	6.43	9.30	10.40
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7.00	8.06		
9.25	10.30		

SUNDAY TRAINS

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
8.15	8.27	8.00	9.17
12.05	1.24	12.00	1.09
4.05	5.18	5.00	6.37
5.30	6.55		
8.00	9.05		

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BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Dr. L. L. Mial of this city played two games in the national amateur billiard championship tournament yesterday afternoon and evening, and won both. In the afternoon he defeated Arthur Marcott, the Canadian champion, 300 to 229 and last night he outplayed Charles F. Conklin of Chicago, 300 to 267.

MARDI GRAS CARNIVAL.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 12—The Mardi Gras carnival opened last night with the parade of the Knights of Momus, who represented visions of the world's vanity. It was one of the handsomest displays witnessed here. The city was brilliantly illuminated and already contains one of the greatest crowds in its history.

JIM PARR DEFEATED

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., Feb. 12.—Jim Parr, the English champion wrestler, was defeated last night by Lundin. Lundin won the first fall in 25 minutes, 30 seconds, the third and deciding fall in 11 minutes, 30 seconds. Parr got the second fall in 37 minutes, 30 seconds.

EDISON'S BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The American Institute of Electrical Engineers celebrated the birthday of Thomas A. Edison and the 25th anniversary of the successful introduction and development of the incandescent lamp at the annual dinner last night in the Waldorf Astoria. Thomas A. Edison was the guest of honor and about 700 members and guests of the institute were present.

T. Comerford Martin acted as toastmaster. He introduced Mr. Edison, reciting the achievements of the "wizard".

Mr. Edison, in accordance with his invariable rule, declined to speak, but telegraphed his response, A. B. Chandler, president of the Postal Telegraph company, "reciting".

It was also transmitted by the Marconi system across the hall. The response was then read to the assembled company.

Congratulatory messages were received from President Roosevelt and Signor Marconi, while eminent electricians and other sent greetings.

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INSANE TEACHER

Killed Her Mother and Herself

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 12.—Miss Hulda Nelson, school teacher of Fort Dodge, Iowa, in a moment of insanity, brained her mother with a hatchet while the mother was sleeping and then jumped into a cistern, drowning herself. The young woman tied three flat irons about her neck before she leaped into the cistern.

HARMON ROBBED

BOSTON MAN ATTACKED BY TWO THUGS.

BOSTON, Feb. 12—Horace M. Harmon, a Portland street restaurant proprietor, was knocked down on the street last night by two men and robbed of $1050. Harmon yesterday sold his restaurant at 201 Portland street and soon after he left the place last night he was followed by two men. One of them struck him on top of the head, smashing his hat over his eyes and dazing him. Harmon fell to the ground and before he could rise his assailant ripped open his clothing and took a wallet containing the money from an inside pocket. By the time Harmon rose to his feet the robbers were out of sight.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

"The Social Whirl" was the attraction at the Academy of Music yesterday afternoon and evening and good sized audiences attended the different performances. The piece is without doubt one of the strongest comedies on the stage today and is a sure cure for the blues. If people do not wish to laugh they had better stay away from the theatre during the remainder of the week, but those who wish to see a roaring, side-splitting comedy full of perplexible situations they had better join in the line to the box office and purchase their tickets for one of the performances. The company is sure to please you, for it is strong and well balanced, each member of the cast having his part well in hand.

The leading part is taken by Edward R. Strout, who portrays Dick Wilson, the young man who robbed his rich uncle of a bride, and who is in a barrel of trouble until he finally owns up the mean trick he played. The part of Cora, Dick's wife, is taken by Miss Agnes Parson, who is not on to the game played by her husband and her perplexity in the carrying on of her husband makes her part a highly amusing one.

Carl Cunningham, who plays the part of Obadiah Dawson, Dick's uncle, throws out comedy every minute he is on the stage, his rough manner and sympathy for his nephew, who, he thinks, married an old woman, convulsing the audience with laughter. James Coveney makes a fine Thomas Coleman. By the way of no harm Thomas married for money and as usual got an old fogy of a woman who made life miserable for him, and despite the fact that she had plenty of the worldly goods, Tom was not so fortunate as to receive as much as he would like.

The other characters in the comedy are played by efficient players.

The scene in the first act is at Tom's country home at Nahant, Mass., where poor henpecked Tom is getting all and more than is coming to him from his aged wife. Dick's uncle turns up and as Dick married the girl his uncle wished to wed and the latter knew nothing of it, there was a little excitement when the old man blew in from Japan. By lies and different forms of strategy Dick succeeds in keeping his uncle from seeing his wife, but his troubles increase and misery after misery turns up until Dick, sick of the game he is playing, owns up that he married Cora, and the matter is ironed out to the satisfaction of everyone.

For specialties Miss Alice Thornton appeared under the title of champion buck and wing dancer of the United States, without competition. She did a remarkable whirligig with her pedal extremities. Cunningham and Coveney incarnated the latest comedy in their sketch. They "came with all the London style of Coster characters and pastimes," and jokes from across the water were dropped over the lights. Hall and Parsons, the latter an accomplished singer, entertained musically and with dancing.

Matinees today and tomorrow; also evening performances.

THE CASTO THEATRE

Tomorrow is Children's Day at the Casto theatre, and those intending to visit the theatre should order seats at once, to avoid the rush. The race between horse and man will please and electrify the young folks just as much as it does their elders, for it is the most exciting event ever placed on the local stage, and it will probably be the only time that the school children will have the opportunity of witnessing an event of this kind. The spectacle of a horse running at topmost speed and a bicyclist pedalling at record-breaking time, is a sight all want to see. Harper, Desmond and Bailey will especially please the youngsters, and Paul Barnes with his merry stories will be a favorite. The Four American Trumpeters in their military musical act, will score a hit, as the young ladies are very attractive and are excellent musicians. The remainder of the program is exceptionally well balanced. Green Trading Stamps are given free with orchestra tickets.

BOWLING NEWS.

The Highland club bowling team found the Zophers an easy proposition last night and in a game on the Highland club alleys the team representing the club defeated their opponents by a score of 1218 to 1137. E. Libby and Wing did the heavy rolling for the victorious team, while Lee carried off the honors for his team. The score:

HIGHLANDS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
E. Libby	83	92	89	264
Runels	82	84	83	249
Wing	94	99	70	263
Lazelle	85	68	91	244
Stevens	56	70	72	198
Total	409	413	405	1218

ZOPHERS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
Zopher	89	68	75	232
Sherburne	85	63	72	226
Osterhout	62	81	71	214
Lee	81	87	68	236
McKenzie	80	61	82	226
Total	400	363	368	1137

ORIENTS VICTORIOUS.

The Orients defeated the Ramblers in the Recreation bowling league contest in Les Miserables alleys last night by a score of 1200 to 1156. Kelley was high single and high total man for the Orients and Simpson who was high total man for the Ramblers who tied with Rigby in high singles. The score:

ORIENTS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
Kelley	85	89	90	261
Kerrigan	69	82	73	225
Lonnan	76	77	88	241
Galvin	74	71	86	231
Slavin	71	89	82	217
Total	375	415	419	1200

RAMBLERS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
Marsden	86	81	74	241
Simpson	83	81	90	254
Rigby	74	90	81	245
McGrail	72	73	73	218
O'Brien	75	75	75	225
Total	393	405	398	1156

It is more profitable to advertise honorably and fail in the attempt to get business, than to advertise dishonorably and succeed for a little while.

SENATOR HANNA

Said to be in a Precarious Condition

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Senator Hanna's condition is very serious, if not precarious. His physicians realize this and are watching the case with the greatest concern. The senator was considerably weaker yesterday and as a result his pulse had run up at 6 o'clock to 104 pulsations to the minute. The increased weakness is the direct result of the fever, as the official bulletin shows that there are no complications. The physicians hope that the fever has reached its worst stage, but whether or not it has they declare they are unable to say. They are simply waiting for developments and realize the patient has lost ground the last two days. Stimulants had been given the senator during the day and with beneficial results. He rested well during the afternoon and retained the nourishment given him during the past 24 hours. This latter feature of the case is encouraging to the physicians. Extraordinary precautions are being taken to insure quiet in and around the hotel so that the senator may get all the natural sleep possible. The motormen of the street cars almost a block away have been requested not to ring their gongs, as their sudden clanging seemed to irritate the senator.

After the evening visit of the physicians Senator Hanna slept for about an hour and a half which considerably refreshed him. Dr. Carter remains at the hotel all the time, so as to be on hand in case there is a call for him.

The following bulletin on Senator Hanna's condition was issued last night:

"At 8 p. m. Senator Hanna was resting quietly. His temperature when taken at 6 o'clock was 102 2-10; pulse, 104; respiration 28. There has been no change in his general condition since the morning bulletin was issued. He retains all the nourishment given him for the past 24 hours. There are no complications.

(Signed) "RIXEY.
"CARTER."

LENTEN REGULATIONS

RULES FOR FASTING AND ABSTINENCE DURING LENT.

Following is a copy of the Lenten regulations forwarded to all the Roman Catholic pastors of Lowell to be read at the different churches of that denomination at all of the masses Sunday next:

All the days of Lent are fast days of obligation.

The following dispensations are granted for this diocese by the authority of the Holy See:

The use of flesh meat is allowed during Lent, once a day, on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturdays, the second and last Saturdays excepted.

Lard and fat rendered from any kind of meat may be used in preparing permitted food.

A small quantity of bread, about two ounces, together with a cup of tea, coffee or chocolate, is permitted in the morning.

A collation, not exceeding the fourth part of an ordinary meal, or about eight ounces, is allowed in the evening.

The use of eggs, butter, cheese and milk is permitted in the evening collation, and also at the principal meal on the days on which the use of flesh meat is forbidden.

The principal meal may be taken in the evening and the collation in the morning, should circumstances so require.

The use of flesh meat and fish at the same meal is not allowed even on Sundays.

On Sundays there is neither fasting nor abstinence.

Persons exempt from fasting are permitted to use flesh meat more than once on days on which the use of flesh meat is allowed.

The following persons are exempt from fasting, but not from abstinence:

All under 21 years of age and those of advanced age.

The sick and those that cannot fast without great injury to their health.

Women during pregnancy or while nursing infants.

All those whose duties are of a very laborious of exhausting nature.

By virtue of the indult of the Holy See of March 15, 1895, working people and their families are allowed the use of flesh meat once a day in this diocese on all days of the year except Fridays, Ash Wednesday, the Wednesday and Saturday of holy week and the vigil of Christmas. Those who avail themselves of this dispensation are exhorted to perform some other act of mortification, such as abstaining from intoxicating drinks, etc.

The time for fulfilling the Easter precept of holy communion extends from the first Sunday in Lent, Feb. 21, to Trinity Sunday, May 29.

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LUCK

THE NEW BREAKFAST FOOD

NO COOKING. READY TO SERVE

A flaky crisp cereal made from CALIFORNIA WHITE WHEAT. Every kernel is brushed and washed by electric machinery. It is cooked in electric ovens. When thoroughly done it falls into sterilized moisture-proof packages.

Human hands have never touched it. It is as pure and clean as human ingenuity can make it.

Children like it. Older people like it. It agrees with everyone. It gives health and happiness. It is the long sought "LUCK" that brings the sunshine of perfect digestion. We have full control of this excellent "cereal" in Lowell. To thoroughly introduce it we make the following offer:

2 Packages for 25 Cents

And with every 25c purchase $2.00 worth of S. & H. Green Trading Stamps free.

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SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION in our basement, where we serve this dainty food with pure cream and sugar.

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These photos are made in book form on fine embossed cardboard. The size is 4½x8 inches. The cover is linen finish. The work finely executed. All-in-all it is a very unusual offering.

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ADVANCE SHOWING OF Queen Quality OXFORDS

We made arrangements to have our "oxfords" come in early, consequently they are here ready for your inspection.

The line is very large and includes many new patterns in Patent Kid, Vici Kid and Russia Calf.

Gibson ties and slightly narrower toes prevail, although the broad Mannish patterns are still in evidence. We cordially invite your inspection, and will be glad to hear your criticism concerning them.

The Price is $2.50 and $3 a Pair

SNAPPY NEWS FROM THE
WAIST SECTION

AT 25c—Colored Lawns and Percales, worth 50c.

AT 49c—White Madras, Plain Batiste, Striped Lawns and Ginghams, worth from $1.00 to $1.25.

AT 79c—White Cheviots, White Piques and Colored Cheviots, worth from $1.39 to $2.00.

AT 98c—White Dotted Piques, Plain Cheviots, Striped Madras and Fleece Lined Cheviots, also Wool Flannel Waists, worth from $2.00 to $3.00.

AT $1.49—All kinds and styles, Cheviots, Madras and Fancy Vestings, worth from $3.00 to $5.00.

FOUR STRONG ITEMS FROM THE
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32 IN. MADRAS, 12½c YARD—Handsome patterns, short lengths of 25c goods.

ECLIPSE FLANNELS, 9c YARD—Yard wide, always sells for 15c yard.

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CHILDREN'S HOSE, 8c PAIR—Fast black, fleece lined, ribbed and plain, sizes 6 to 9. Regularly 10c and 12½c pair.

CHILDREN'S HOSE, 6c PAIR—Heavy cotton, sizes 6 to 9½, tan color, 1 and 1 rib, always 10c and 12½c pair.

INFANTS' HOSE, 15c PAIR—Ribbed Cashmere, silk heel and toe; white, blue and black; always 25c pair.

WOMEN'S HOSE, 10c PAIR—Fleeced lined and heavy cotton; some have white feet; always 12½c pair.

WOMEN'S WOOL HOSE, 19c PAIR—Heavy rib, always 25c pair.

18 SWEET ORANGES FOR 25c

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THREE GOOD THINGS IN
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JERSEY RIBBED SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, 28c—Fleece lined. Drawers double seated; regularly 39c grade.

MEN'S HEAVY COTTON NIGHT SHIRTS, 38c—Fancy trimmed fronts; regularly 50c.

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THREE EXTRA VALUES IN THE
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44 IN. BRILLIANTINE, 39c YARD—Two shades of blue, also black. Regular 50c goods.

52 IN. MOHAIR, 59c YARD—Two shades of blue, also grey and black. Regularly 79c yard.

27 IN. PONGEE SILK, 39c YARD—Natural white and black.

25c WOMEN'S GOLF GLOVES

10 Cents Pair

Good desirable colors, all sizes.

ANOTHER LOT OF 50c GRADES FOR 25c—These embrace all the wantable kinds so much sought earlier in the season.

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Women's Short Skirts, worth 25c. Now 19c
Women's Short Skirts, worth 49c. Now 39c

2 BARGAINS IN MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

WOMEN'S DRAWERS, WORTH 25c, NOW 19c—5-inch ruffle, trimmed with five rows of fine tucks, hemstitched edge.

WOMEN'S ROBES, WORTH 49c, NOW 39c—High neck, yoke trimmed with hamburg insertion and tucking, full sizes.

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BELT BROOCH, 10c—Black, Pearl, Oxidized and Grey; always 25c.

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Sateen covered, 18x18 size, 4-inch ruffle, desirable patterns, cotton filling, and the price only 25c each.

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JAPAN'S FORCES TAKE PORT ARTHUR

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SIX O'CLOCK

England Believes Occupation Will Occur in a Week

A Russian Bank Reported Burned—Various Accounts of the First Battle and How the Russians Were Entrapped—Japanese Losses are Also Heavy

LONDON, FEB. 12—6.03 P.M.—THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT HAS INFORMATION WHICH LEADS IT TO BELIEVE THAT JAPAN IS LIKELY TO BE IN POSSESSION OF PORT ARTHUR A WEEK FROM NOW. IN THE BEST INFORMED JAPANESE CIRCLES HERE IT IS PRIVATELY THOUGHT THAT THE WAR WILL BE OVER BY JULY. THOSE BRITISH OFFICIALS WHO ARE COGNIZANT OF THE EXTRAORDINARY THOROUGHNESS WITH WHICH JAPAN HAS PREPARED FOR WAR, ARE INCLINED TO SHARE THE JAPANESE VIEW REGARDING THE DURATION OF THE STRUGGLE.

BATTLE ON LAND IS EXPECTED SOON

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Baron Hayashi summing up events in the far east so far as they have gone, said to the Associated Press today:

"Whatever may be the eventual result of the war, Russia in allowing us to occupy and fortify Masampho has created another Dardanelles. With the fortification of Masampho the integrity of Japan is assured forever. No fleet can now pass there against Japan's wishes. Even if we are beaten we would not give up Masampho."

The Associated Press understands that the Japanese troops are advancing rapidly towards the Yalu river. There it is expected they will meet and engage the Russian forces. The Japanese declare that the numbers of the Russian troops are greatly exaggerated.

The plan of the Japanese appears to be to take the road which leads almost straight to Mukden. They profess to have no doubt that they will be able to drive back the Russian forces toward Harbin.

Baron Hayashi points out that the Mukden road, though nominally under Russian military control, will be subject to constant raids from Chinese bands, who will swoop down from the hills. Proceeding diagonally, the Japanese intend to cut the line of communication between Port Arthur and the mainland of Manchuria not only preventing reinforcements from reaching Port Arthur garrison, but inflicting damage on the Manchurian railroad.

The British view that the Japanese will in the meantime be able to occupy Port Arthur, is chiefly based on the latest information that the Russian guns cannot be brought to bear on any force landing at Pigeon Bay, which is on the western side of Port Arthur, and it is believed that the Japanese admiral will follow tactics almost exactly similar to those intended to be pursued at Santiago, the troops storming the batteries in the rear while the Japanese fleet lies waiting for the ships of Viceroy Alexieff, who in the event of a land attack being successful must either make a dash for liberty with his fleet or fight where they are against practically hopeless odds.

In spite of the lack of news it is confidently held here that the Japanese land forces are actively engaged in a most important movement, which will come to a climax as swiftly as did Japan's first naval attack.

The Japanese minister said:

"Only those who went through the Chinese war can quite understand the emulation which exists between the Japanese navy and army. In the former war the army was all to the fore, and no little jealousy existed between the two arms of the service, though our navy was then in its infancy. Knowing the army as I know it, there must now be tremendous anxiety to score a success equal to that just made by the navy. You may look for some very keen land fighting."

GREAT BRITAIN MAKES DENIAL

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Referring in the house of lords today to the Russian charges on Wei Hai Wei, Foreign Minister Lansdowne declared the report that Great Britain had given Wei Hai Wei as a base for the Japanese operations against Port Arthur was entirely unfounded and so far as he could conjecture, it was a "mischievous fabrication."

Lord Lansdowne added that he had telegraphed to the British representative there in order to ascertain if any incident had occurred to give the slightest color to the report.

FINANCIAL CIRCLES STILL DISTURBED

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—In response to the appeal of the dowager czarina several grand duchesses and numerous other noble ladies have organized committees in St. Petersburg. The Official Messenger daily prints pages of loyal addresses from Zemstevos and municipalities and governmental and private corporations. The czar takes pains to personally thank the senders of addresses in each case.

The situation in financial circles here is slightly improved, but it is still very critical.

From all parts of the empire come telegrams telling of the feverish activity of ladies' committees, embracing various classes of the population, who are preparing linen bandages and other supplies for the hospitals and the Red Cross society.

MUST OBSERVE STRICT NEUTRALITY

PARIS, Feb. 12—Instructions have been sent by the ministers of marine, foreign affairs and of the colonies to their agents abroad to observe strict neutrality during the war.

CHINA WILL ISSUE A PROCLAMATION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Minister Conger cables the state department today from Peking that the Chinese government would immediately issue a proclamation of neutrality having yesterday received from the Russian minister, the declaration of war.

If this proclamation is observed it will of course prevent the threatened invasion of Manchuria by the Boxers. China also must prevent the use of her soil by either Russian or Japanese troops.

All the answers to Secretary Hay's proposition are not yet in, but it is hoped that they will be received within the next 24 hours.

A cablegram received at the navy department announces the departure of the gunboat Wilmington from Hong Kong to Chefoo just opposite Port Arthur. She will remain at this neutral port ready for service at any moment as a despatch boat to communicate with the American minister and consuls in case of need.

ANOTHER BATTLE AT PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12—In a dispatch from Nagasaki dated Feb. 10, a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

"There has been a renewed attack on Port Arthur. The Japanese captured seven Russian ships and chased others.

"There have been disturbances at Port Arthur, in which a number of Japanese civilians were killed or imprisoned.

"A Chinese mob has destroyed the telegraph line round New Chwang."

In a dispatch from Shanghai dated Feb. 12 2 a. m., a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

"The bombardment of Port Arthur continues. Three Russian cruisers have been sunk. The Russian bank building has been burned."

JAPANESE LOSS AT PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of Reuter's telegram company cables that the naval headquarters staff there announces that in the fight at Port Arthur six Japanese ships were slightly damaged and 50 Japanese were killed and 150 wounded.

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DUGANNE CASE

AUDITOR HARVEY FILES HIS REPORT ON IT.

John J. Harvey, Esq., has filed his report as auditor in the matter of the estate of the late Mary E. Duganne. The estate inventories between $35,000 and $40,000, and the Ministry-at-Large claimed to be entitled to about one-third of it, on the ground that Mrs. Duganne derived the property from her husband, Hiram C. Duganne, and that in his will he gave to her only a life estate in it, and after her death it was to be divided into three equal parts, one part to go to the Ministry-at-Large.

The auditor, in summarizing his finding, says:

"The result of all my findings is that accountants are chargeable in schedule A in the sum of $12,750.87, and are entitled to be credited in schedule B with $14,202.23. I find that the accountants' testate, as executrix of her husband's will, paid out of her own estate $1551.36 more than she received from the estate of her husband."

The probate court will now pass upon the auditor's report, and if Mr. Harvey's finding is sustained, the case is likely to go to the supreme court for final decision.

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STOP COASTING

Children Have Had Narrow Escapes

The local officials of the Boston & Northern railroad are doing all in their power to have coasting stopped on side streets which run into streets on which electric cars are operated in this city. Many narrow escapes have been averted this winter owing to the alertness of the motormen on the road. In many instances it is impossible for the motormen to avoid accidents as the coasters go across some of the car tracks at such a rate of speed that it is more by good fortune than good management that accidents are averted.

Yesterday afternoon two little girls coasting in Howard street had a narrow escape from being killed. They came down the Howard street hill towards Middlesex street at a fast clip and the motorman failed to see the sled and the children until it struck the air box on the side of the car. The force of the collision threw the children off the sled into the snow and was probably the cause of saving them from fatal injury. If there had not been an air box on the car the children would undoubtedly have gone under the car and been crushed by the wheels.

Complaints from the motormen have been received at the local office of this nuisance, there being a number of streets where boys and girls coast across the car tracks.

IN STATE PRISON

The friends of a party of Lowell business men are having all manner of fun with them as the result of the escape of convict Waters from state prison on Wednesday evening.

It seems that the Lowell party went down to Boston in the morning and through Senator McKinley and Representative Timmons obtained permission to go through the state prison. They made the trip early in the afternoon accompanied by Senator McKinley and Rep. Timmons and were gone away from the institution over an hour before Waters made his sensational escape.

On their way home to Lowell in the evening the party regaled their Lowell friends on the train with the story of their trip and when in the morning the friends read of Waters' escape they at once thought of the Lowell party who had been through the institution and started to charge them good naturedly with being confederates of the escaped prisoner.

One wag says that coming from Lowell the party took kindly to the prisoner on account of his name. The different members of the party have since been threatened with arrest and hosts of other fates by unknown myrmidons of the law.

Senator McKinley when asked about his part in the affair said: "I assure you we are all innocent of any complicity in the case, though I want it understood that Walter Watson wasn't with us. He got there later and we won't be responsible for him. Not one of our party wore a rubber coat, such as the prisoner wore when he escaped, all our rubbering being confined to furtive glances at the prisoners. We had nothing up our sleeves and were as meek and well behaved as lambs. The next time I go through I will insist upon the prisoners giving me a written guarantee that they won't try to escape for four hours after my departure."

The party got a passing glimpse at Ollie Vaughan and Dowd, the life prisoners and Moulton who is serving a 20 years' sentence. They did not see Robert Vaughan who is said to be in "Cherry Hill." They were permitted to look into Ollie Vaughan's cell which is one of the neatest in the institution.

THE ALBION BLOCK

It is said O'Donnell & Gilbride have bought the Albion block which was recently damaged by fire and a portion of which they occupied to carry on their business previous to the fire. The Albion block was built about 16 years ago and was the property of the Wyman heirs, the agent of which is Mr. J. W. B. Shaw.

"Everything pertaining to the sale has been completed excepting the passing of the final papers which it is expected will occur in a few days. The price paid for the building is withheld.

OFF TO HOLYOKE

Holyoke's superintendent of police, J. Sydney Wright, came to Lowell today and took back with him Jacob Dulkis, who was arrested by Inspector Walsh and Patrolman Danley on a paternity warrant yesterday afternoon.

Dulkis has become a benedict since coming to Lowell. His better half called at the police station today and said she wanted to go to Holyoke with her husband. She was told that there was nothing to prevent her from going providing she had the price of a ticket, and she said she had that all right.

Valentines at Mohairs' dance, Saturday night, Odd Fellows' temple.

LOST—St. Bernard dog about 12 days ago, white neck, nose, end of tail and feet. Return Tom Gougeon, Nashua road. Dracut.

CRASHED INTO CAR

Captain Albert Gibson of Truck One Injured in Collision

While Responding to an Alarm—Truck and Car Collided on Lawrence Street in the Early Morning—Conflicting Stories of the Accident

An out-going Lawrence street electric car collided with Truck One of the Lawrence street firehouse in Lawrence street about 6.40 o'clock this morning and as a result of the accident, Capt. Albert H. Gibson, of the truck, sustained injuries which may prove fatal. He is now at the Lawrence street house suffering from a broken collarbone and probably internal injuries. He is also badly bruised about the arms and limbs. As there were very few people in the vicinity when the accident happened it is difficult to state whether the driver of the truck or the motorman of the car was to blame.

At the time of the accident Timothy Dwyer was driving the truck, Timothy Brown was at the tiller on the rear end of the wagon, and Captain Gibson was standing on the front side step on

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RUNAWAY HORSE

A horse belonging to Thomas Burns, the slater, ran away in Merrimack street this afternoon shortly after 3 o'clock and raised quite a commotion in the square. The cushion and a blanket fell from the sleigh while the horse was under way, but no serious damage resulted.

The horse was not the fastest runner that ever cut loose in Merrimack street and he seemed disposed to stop if somebody who really meant it should ask him. There or four would-be heroes run out in the street and said "Please stop," but they didn't mean business and the horse didn't pay any attention to them.

He continued his madcap galloping chase until he struck Merrimack square. The news of the runaway was heralded before the mild-eyed horse struck the square and when he did land he found himself surrounded by butchers, bakers and candlestick makers, with a few wild-eyed reporters on the side.

"Stop your nonsense," said a little man that was once a second hand in a village church. The horse of course didn't take any stock in the little man and then a butcher waved his apron at him and the horse shied. The butcher went back to his meat block and then the baker grabbed a roll and actually threw it at the horse. If it had been a feed of oats the effect might have been different, but as it was the horse didn't notice it.

But, like the maid who refused to be courted and was finally wooed and won by death, a knight was waiting his opportunity to write his name high on the blackboard of fame. He had already won distinction as a free lunch knight and mothers soothed the disturbed feelings of their children by singing a lullaby that bore his name. He had stopped about everything that came his way and he was just aching to stop a runaway horse. It was the opportunity of a life time and he availed himself of it. He stopped that horse shorter than pie crust and marched back with him, heroically, to the square and received the plaudits of a highly delighted and very extensive gathering of people, prominent and otherwise. He stopped the horse in Bridge street near French.

The hero—John Dennett.

THE WEATHER

Local forecast: Fair tonight and Saturday; light to fresh northwest to west winds.

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THE SUN LATEST 5 O'CLOCK

CLIMAX OF DISEASE

Senator Hanna's Doctors Say Condition is Critical

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Senator Hanna's condition this morning is notably serious. It is believed by his physicians that the climax of the disease has been reached. This may continue for 48 or 56 hours and it may continue for a much longer time. It is their belief that if the fever should break within the next two or three days, at most, Senator Hanna may have a good chance of recovery, but if it should continue for a longer period as sometimes is the case, the worst is to be feared, as the patient's strength is not sufficient to withstand the ravages of the fever for any length of time.

All of his physicians were with him this morning, Dr. Osler deeming it necessary to be present at the examination of the patient and at the consultation which followed. A thorough examination of the senator was made at 9 o'clock, as a result of which the following bulletin was issued a few minutes before 10 o'clock:

"Senator Hanna had a comfortable night but his fever is higher, 104, and the pulse is more rapid, 112; respiration 28. The irritability of the stomach has disappeared.

(Signed)

"RIXEY, OSLER, CARTER."

Shortly before 9 o'clock Senator Hanna awoke from a brief sleep. The physicians at once began their examination. They read his temperature, pulse and respiration, before going further with the examination. The results of the reading at that time are set out in the bulletin. While the patient's temperature is high it was even higher at one time last night. It is said by the physicians, however, that the temperature is no higher than is to be expected in a case of typhoid, particularly while the patient is passing through the climax of the disease.

The increase of the pulse is an indication of the senator's growing weakness, but assurance is given that that alone does not show the presence of immediate danger.

Despite the senator's high fever he slept fairly well last night. It has been necessary at intervals to administer stimulants to the patient as a means of maintaining his failing strength. That he responds readily to the action of the stimulants is regarded by his physicians as a favorable sign. The physicians are encouraged also by the fact that Senator Hanna's vital organs continue to perform well their functions. The nourishment given him he retains and good results have followed. No irritability of the stomach has been noticed since Wednesday night.

At the conclusion of the examination this morning—a process which is necessarily weakening the senator was given a sponge bath. This had the effect of reducing his temperature for a time and he fell into a natural sleep.

The fact that Senator Hanna's illness has reached the serious if not the critical stage has brought hundreds of inquiries from friends in every part of the country. Scores of his colleagues in the senate and in the house of representatives called at the hotel last night and today and inquired solicitously for the latest news from the bedside of the distinguished patient.

President Roosevelt was among the first of the anxious inquirers as to the senator's condition. Dr. Rixey conveys promptly and regularly to the president the results of the physicians' examination of the patient.

It has been decided to send for the senator's son, Daniel Hanna, who is in Cleveland.

KEGS OF LAGER

It Takes Nine to Celebrate a Polish Engagement

According to Antonio Dusza's version the engagement of a Polish couple is more important, so far as festivities are concured, than is the wedding.

Antonio was in police court today charged with illegally exposing and keeping for sale intoxicating liquors and he pleaded not guilty.

The Polish interpreter was the go-between—that is, he ironed out the rough spots in Antonio's speech and prepared it for the court. The Polish interpreter's name is Matthew Stein and he is very clever at making good English out of any old thing a Pole says.

Several kegs of beer were found at Antonio Dusza's house on the evening of Feb. 4 by the liquor squad. He said he had it for the sole purpose of treating his friends.

"Why did you have so many kegs—nine in all, I believe?" asked the court.

"Because of the engagement," came the reply, and then the interpreter explained that it is a national custom with the Poles to hoop 'er up as soon as an engagement is announced.

"If you have nine kegs for the engagement how many do you have for a wedding?" asked the court.

"Three kegs," said the interpreter, grabbing the words away from the witness.

"The engagement is more important than the wedding," remarked the court, and the interpreter allowed that it was.

Dusza was found guilty and a fine of $5 was imposed.

When Antonio heard the sentence he showed signs of feeling very badly. He spoke to the interpreter complainingly.

"What did he say?" asked Deputy Welch.

"He says he thinks a $5 fine is an injustice."

"Can't help what he thinks about it," said the court.

"He says he hasn't got the money," said the interpreter.

"Take him down stairs," said the deputy, and slowly but surely Antonio was lowered to the floor where box stalls are provided for human beings.

"MAJOR" TAYLOR

Is the Real Thing in Australia

LAWSON AND McFARLAND ARE OUT OF IT

When the Colored Wonder Is On Deck

"Major" Taylor has had a variety of experiences since he landed in Australia, but on the whole has been doing good work. Incidentally Lawson and McFarland have learned that it is not as easy to play tricks on the negro in the antipodes as it is here. McFarland was suspended for a month by the Australian authorities for cutting off Taylor in order to help Lawson, but he has since been reinstated.

Taylor, after being only two days in Australia, competed in a mile handicap against all the strongest men in that country. Taylor was put on scratch, and he ran away from the field, getting the jump on his opponents when it came to the sprint. The same day the "Major" started in a mile open, and won this event handily. The reception accorded to the "Major" is said to have been more spectacular than that of his previous visit. The most influential people in the country turned out to greet him, and the "Major's" great showing caused delight.

Four days after his first appearance in Australia he competed in a three-cornered match race, in which Iver Lawson and Floyd McFarland were the other starters. McFarland was in the race with the intention of teaming it with Lawson, in order to have Taylor defeated. After escaping several pockets that had been prepared for him, the "Major" brought thousands of spectators to their feet when he jumped the pair and got his sprint under way before Lawson and McFarland realized what had happened.

The "Major's" victory in this race was so sensational that he has since been in demand everywhere, as Lawson and McFarland, with the other American riders, had been cleaning up everything in Australia until the Worcester man landed and got his wheel in motion.

The latest advices from the land of the kangaroo report the results of a meeting at Sydney, New South Wales.

Lawson won the mile race and Taylor was second. Lawson was first in the three-mile contest and Taylor again second. Taylor was first in the five-mile race with McFarland second. Taylor was first in the ten-mile race, in which Lawson was second.

Before the races the disqualification against McFarland was removed and he was subjected to a fine.

The "Major" plans to be in France in April, and about the 15th of that month he will race there. On the last visit of the "Major" to Paris about eighty-five thousand persons paid admission to a race meet where he was entered. This season the Parisians are wild over the sport, and an even larger crowd is possible.

Under the terms of his New Zealand contract "Major" Taylor must be prepared to ride three races per week during its currency, and he will receive $1000 and his travelling expenses, exclusive of prizes he may win. It is characteristic of the negro that he stipulated by cable that he should not be required to race on Sunday or Christmas Day. As there is no Sunday racing in Australia, this demand was easily met.

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SULLIVAN WON

Some Fast Boxing in Lawrence

LAWRENCE, Feb. 12.—Before a well attended meeting of the West End A. C. last night Tommy Sullivan of Lawrence obtained the decision over Jig Stone of Boston at the expiration of 12 fast rounds full of dashing fighting. Stone was outweighed by his bulky opponent by 15 pounds, but he fought back gamely, and though Sullivan obtained the decision on points, a draw would have better satisfied the members.

Sullivan continually played a tattoo on Stone's face and it was considerably swollen at the end of the bout. To offset this, Stone used left and right swings, and in the second round he nearly put Sullivan out with a corking right on the point of the jaw, but by good stalling Sullivan managed to stay the round, and in the next he came back much refreshed after the minute's rest. Sullivan proved to be very clever and his long left kept Stone bewildered throughout the bout.

In the sixth round Sullivan let loose and Jig was on the run throughout. Stone fought back as best he could, but the weight of Sullivan told in the end.

Three preliminaries preceded the star go of the evening. In the first Kid Cahill and Kid Silver put up a very fast exhibition of six rounds, and the referee's decision was a draw.

The semi-final bout of the evening was between Lou Brooks of Boston and Albert Dedmont of Medford. The bout brought as good boxing as the final, and the little men fought fast throughout. The decision in this event was also a draw.

The only knockout of the evening took place in the bout between Eddie Nolan of Lawrence and Pocahontas of Boston, the colored man landing a right swing in the middle of the fourth round and the white boy took the count.

Martin Flaherty of Lowell was referee and Lindley Roberts of Brooklyn was timekeeper.

FORBES KNOCKED OUT.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 12.—What was to have been a 20-round fight between Kid Herman and Clarence Forbes, both of Chicago, before the Missouri Athletic club last night, terminated in the sixth round after Forbes had twice been sent to the floor, the last time knocked clean out.

HER KITTENS

Little Girl Ran Away With Them

Wildflower Weed is a rather romantic name and the little girl who enjoys it is both cute and romantic. She is 12 years old and she came to Lowell from Somerville yesterday. She arrived in this city late in the evening and the only recommendation she had to offer was a glance from eyes that would go blind rather than to deceive, and a pair of kittens that she loves "best of all."

This introduction does not do the Somerville Wildflower justice. She is wise beyond her years and she left home not because she loved it less, but her kitties more. Wildflower and her kitties were in the waiting room at Carter & Sherburne's for more than two hours before they attracted any particular attention, and interest would not have centered in the little girl but for the fact that the cats seemed a bit displeased with their quarters and made many vigorous attempts to free themselves.

When asked to account for herself and the cats, Wildflower said that she left her happy home in Somerville because her mother had threatened to chloroform her pets. "I'm going to my uncle's house in St. Louis," she said. "My mama has been awfully good to me but she doesn't like my kitties. My aunt, down in Maine, gave the cats to me last summer and I have played with them more than I have with anybody else in the whole world. I loves them best of all."

Wildflower's childish prattle attracted the attention of Inspector Walsh and he decided that he would take the little girl to the police station and find out all about her. Wildflower had no objections to offer and when asked to take a walk she grabbed up the baskets containing the kittens and went along.

She told the story of her life to Captain Kew, and after she had been locked away, with her kitties, in the detention room, Captain Kew telephoned to the Somerville police and told them all about her.

The Somerville police went to Wildflower's home at 92 Winterland street and told her pops that she was in this city. The news brought great relief to her parents. She is their only child and the fear she entertains relative to the untimely destruction of her kitties, her pops says, is all fudge. He said he would come to Lowell today and take his Wildflower home.

VALENTINE PARTY

IN AID OF ST. LOUIS' CHURCH LAST EVENING.

A delightful valentine and whist party was held in Foley hall, corner of West Sixth street and Lilley avenue, last evening, for the benefit of St. Louis' church and it was a grand success.

Each lady brought a valentine which was auctioned off to the gentlemen, a fair whist partner going with each valentine. The valentine bringing the highest price went for $2 to Mr. Eli Delisle and his partner consequently was Mrs. Anbelse Vigeant. Ten of the valentines sold for over $1 and the sale realized $25.

The winners of the whist prizes were Mr. Dolphis Demers, hat, given by Mr. Jos. Delorme; Mrs. Demers, vase, gift of Frank Bicard; Mr. George Larziere, locket, gift of Mrs. Frank Brogan; Miss Bernadette Asselin, penknife, gift of Mr. Frank Brogan. Miss Henriette Boisvert and Mr. J. C. Filteau won the boobies.

Miss Ida Mongrain, Mrs. Wilfred Asselin, Misses Blanche and Alice Sauvegeau, Miss Mary Boucher had charge.

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TRADE CONDITIONS

REPORTED FROM DIFFERENT SECTIONS OF COUNTRY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Special telegrams from correspondents of the International Mercantile Agency throughout the United States and Canada show that extreme cold weather is responsible for the check to distribution of merchandise by railways, notwithstanding which the total volume of the same is greater at St. Louis and at St. Paul than a year ago. Baltimore bankers and merchants are actively at work to minimize the percentage of spring trade which will be deflected to Philadelphia and New York by the burning out of the heart of the city's business district. Thousands are at temporary locations picking up the threads of business. Orders have already been sent to New York for dry goods and to Pittsburg for structural steel.

War in the Orient has ceased to influence the domestic stock market, but it has advanced prices of silk, tea, beef, pork, wheat, and by sympathy other cereals. The money market has not thus far responded much to the forthcoming withdrawal of government funds to meet anticipated Panama canal payments, nor to the extraordinary heavy demands for accommodation by railroads and other corporations. Sales of Americans by London and the continent have left stocks dull and weaker.

There is more request for structural and other forms of steel and orders for rails placed by the Harriman roads at full mill prices point to the likelihood of $28 a ton being maintained.

There is a more favorable prospect for the mills in the reactions in raw cotton since February 1. The government report of cotton ginned to the middle of January dissipates the bull claims of a total crop of only 9,400,000.

Greatly needed rains have fallen in southern California and elsewhere in the southwestern region. Minneapolis looks for increased exports over northwestern railroads to the Orient.

FRANK LOOMIS DEAD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Frank Loomis, for many years special counsel for the New York Central and Hudson River railroad, is dead at his home here. He was prominent in democratic circles and a leading member of the New York bar.

SPRUNG A LEAK

SCHOONER HENRY WHITNEY WILL HAVE TO BE BEACHED.

BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me., Feb. 12.—The schooner Henry Whitney, bound from Wiscasset to New York with a cargo of lumber, has sprung a leak and partly filled with water after having been frozen in the harbor two weeks. She will be beached and repaired as soon as possible.

The packet Effort has arrived here from Monhegan island where she was ice-bound for three days. She reported there was no scarcity of provisions or fuel at Monhegan.

PENSIONS FOR EMPLOYES.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—Statistics compiled by the pension department of the Pennsylvania railroad show that in the four years the organization has been in operation, $1,224,087 has been expended for the relief of those entitled to consideration. The report gives the following yearly distributions:

1903, $359,374; 1902, $326,493; 1901, $292,290; 1900, $244,010. These expenditures do not include the cost of the department's operation which is paid by the company.

In the four years' operation of the pension plan, 2126 employes have been retired as pensioners from the active service of the company. Of these 527 have died. Of the total number retired 426 were between the ages of 65 and 69 years. Of the total number retired 318 were retired upon their own request and with the approval of the employing officer.

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THE SUN EXTRA 6 O'CLOCK

SEVERAL ERRORS

In Notes Taken in the Machen Trial

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Testimony in rebuttal was given today in the postal trial. The first witness for the government was John R. Tulles, who read the original notes for the examination of Machen in the office of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow on May 27, 1903, previously to the arrest. Yesterday Machen testified that some of his replies to questions were not reported correctly. It was pointed out to the witness by Mr. Conrad that the reading in several particulars differed from the type-written transcript. The court would not permit Mr. Tulles to correct his notes, but allowed him to re-read some of them. Replying to a question by Mr. Douglas the witness admitted he had altered his notes in one instance, changing a word in a sentence so as to read "private transactions" instead of "private business." Counsel pointed out various discrepancies, the witness admitting that the differences shown between his note and the transcript were inaccuracies.

After a long examination during which other inaccuracies were admitted, the witness was excused.

James E. Bell, superintendent of city delivery, Washington, D. C., who formerly testified for the government was recalled and said he had no recollection of seeing Lorenz at the test of the fastener which Lorenz had testified to, although he might have been in the party.

M. M. McBath, a treasury official, produced a contract between the postoffice department and the postmaster at Detroit dated Feb. 19, 1897, for letter boxes, containing a provision for old bands as well as the Groff fasteners. Replying to a question by Justice Pritchard, Mr. Conrad and Mr. Taggart said it was material as showing that at that late date the Groff fastener was not a fixed supply although Lorenz had testified that on the yachting trip in August, 1895, Machen had told him it was. The contract was admitted in evidence. The government announced that its rebuttal testimony was all in.

Mr. Kumler then moved that the jury be directed to return a verdict of not guilty as to Mrs. Lorenz.

Mr. Conrad said that at this stage of the case he would oppose the motion, but he added:

"I think you might trust that much to us."

He said he was going to deal in his argument with the utmost fairness as to which of the defendants in his opinion should be dealt leniently with and which should be dealt vigorously with.

District Attorney Beach also opposed the motion, whereupon Justice Pritchard said he would consider the matter and announce his decision after the recess.

FIERCE BATTLE

Many Persons Reported to Have Been Killed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—U. S. Minister Powell reports by cable to the state department from San Domingo under date of the ninth that it was reported in the capital that a fierce battle had been fought in Sanchez and a great many people had been killed. The French warship Trude had arrived at San Domingo and departed immediately, probably for Puerto Plata, where the Jiminez rebels were creating disorder. The Spanish warship Rio de La Plata had also arrived at San Domingo.

BANK PRESIDENT

THE GAME THE PROSECUTOR IS PLAYING FOR.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 Assistant District Attorney Kresel caused the arrest yesterday of Charles Bridel of 508 East Eighty-fourth street and Louise Walsh of 231 Third avenue, employes of the "Manhattan Finance company," of 277 Broadway, on usury warrants issued by Justice Tyatt of Special sessions. The complainant is James T. Fitzgerald of Brooklyn, who says that on June 6 last he borrowed $5 and repaid $48 in six monthly installments of $8 each. The last payment was made on Dec. 7. The defendants gave $00 bail.

Ida Lode of 348 West Forty-fifth street was also arrested at Mr. Kresel's instigation. It was the third time for her. She was an employe of Mitchell & Co., now at 68 Montgomery street, Jersey City. Ikomda F. Sayles of 417 Willis avenue says that in September, 1903, he borrowed $6 and in six semi-monthly installments paid $48. She gave bail.

Mr. Kresel said that the Manhattan Finance company, the Globe Security company and the Aetna Security company are owned by two brothers, one of whom is president of a state bank of this city. Mr. Kresel said that none of the employes yet arrested has confessed. "Those who have been convicted have been fined. "Fines are paid by the employers, and we accused do not care," said Mr. Kresel. "But the Special sessions justices have decided to imprison in the future. One sentence to prison, I think, will cause plenty of confessions. Then, I hope, I can make out cases against the backers of these usury concerns."

RACQUET TOURNEY.

TUXEDO PARK, N. Y., Feb. 12.—The amateur championship racquet tourney opened on the courts of the Tuxedo Tennis and Racquet club today; Charles Edwards defeating William L. Dinsmore, Jr., in the first match of the preliminary round, three sets to two. The court was very fast. The match between Erskine Hewitt and Milton Barger followed.

At the Highland M. E. church tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock there will be a rendition of the girls' chorus which will sing at the Lincoln services Sunday night.

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For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

HANNA'S BROTHER

Says That He is Not Discouraged

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 Senator Hanna's temperature was taken at 2.30 o'clock. It was then 102.

Doses of strychnine first given the patient a few days ago have been increased with the increase of fever, but it is stated that not over one-thirtieth of a grain doses have been given. President Roosevelt walked over to the hotel from the White House at 1.20 o'clock this afternoon and spent about twenty minutes with Mrs. Hanna. After Senator Hanna had been shaved he talked a few minutes with his brother, H. M. Hanna. He continues, however, apathetic most of the time. Although the last bulletin showed a lowering of temperature, much more importance will be attached to the showing tonight and tomorrow morning. Mr. H. M. Hanna after talking with his brother said to a representative of the Associated Press:

"I am not discouraged."

When the senator awoke he asked that a barber be sent for as he desired to be shaved. His request was granted. Reports from the sick room are to the effect that the senator is resting comfortably.

The following bulletin was given out shortly after 12 o'clock today:

At 12 o'clock noon, Mr. Hanna was resting quietly. His temperature was 101.9, pulse 108, respiration 29. He continues to retain all nourishment given. There are no complications.

(Signed) RIXEY, CARTER.

Senator Hanna's physicians for the past two days have been employing saline solution. It is stated that the purpose of this is to neutralize poison in the blood. Mrs. Roosevelt is with Mrs. Hanna.

DAN HANNA

WILL GO TO WASHINGTON AT ONCE.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 12—As a result of a conference between Dan R. Hanna, son of Senator Hanna, and Private Secretary Dover, at Washington by long distance telephone today, Mr. Hanna stated that he would leave here for Washington this afternoon.

Mr. Hanna said that his advices concerning the condition of his father were precisely in accordance with the Associated Press dispatches from Washington. While he did not believe his father's condition to be alarming, he desired to be at his bedside during the crisis of the fever.

WANTED A DIVORCE

HUSBAND ASKED WIFE TO FURNISH CAUSE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The case of William M. Lawson against his wife, Lena M. Lawson, for an absolute divorce was given to the jury late last night by Supreme Court Justice Rich in Brooklyn. Lawson names as co-respondents Emil Gabler and George Brooks Le Boyteaux.

Mrs. Lawson was a witness in her own behalf. She said her husband suggested that he be allowed to get a divorce, but she protested on account of the stain that would be upon her name. She said her husband tried to arrange the divorce and suggested that she meet Mr. Gabler afterward, and, if it could be arranged, marry him.

"But I never could stand the stain upon my name," she said, "and when I backed out of allowing my husband to get the divorce he called me a 'skunk'."

She acknowledged that Mr. Gabler had been in her room in Liberty, Sullivan county, N. Y. She said she had lost the key of her trunk and asked him to open the trunk for her.

Emil Gabler denied all the accusations, but acknowledged that if Mrs. Gabler was single he would marry her.

NINE UNION MEN

Were Found Guilty of Conspiracy

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 12—After a stubbornly fought trial before Judge Shuman in the superior court for three teamsters guilty of conspiracy in trying to injure the business of certain trucking firms during the teamsters' strike here last spring. The defendants were: Orrin S. Stockford of Hartford, William Talmadge, Philip H. Daly, Peter Flynn, Richard Ashton, Theodore C. Beck, Thomas Connors, Percy Cornelius and John Mitchell of this city.

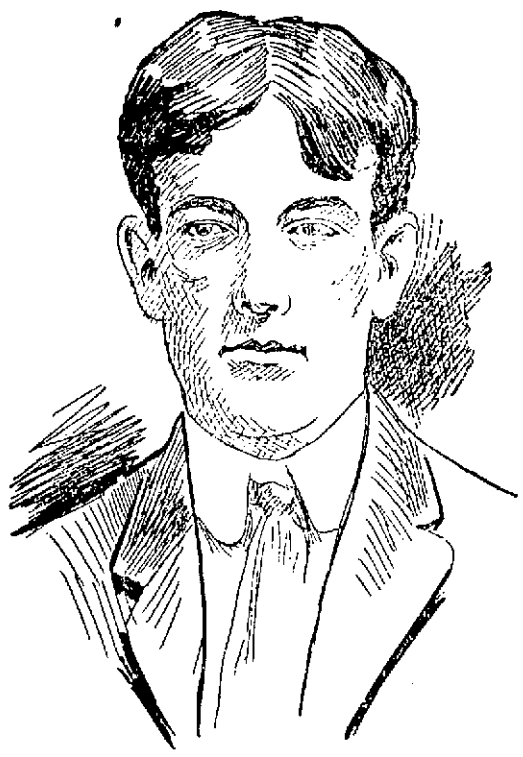
A sentence of three months in jail for each defendant was imposed. A stay of execution for one week was granted to permit counsel to file exceptions.

STRIKE BENEFITS

Cannot be Paid to Sympathetic Strikers

BOSTON, Feb. 12—The court has ruled that until further mandate the striking compositors must not incite the pressmen and feeders to leave their present employ, and they must not pay any more strike benefits to those who already have left for other reasons than their own benefit. Judge Loring also held that it was illegal for the printers to pay strike benefits to sympathetic strikers and that it was justifiable under the circumstances to grant the employing printers some relief. The injunction is directed to restrain the local defendants, included in whom are the members of the local typographical union, from taking any combined action for quitting the plaintiffs' employ. The feature of the injunction stopping the distribution of strike benefits is said to be without precedent in the state if not in the country.

LOWELL OFFICER



WILLIAM H. SMITH ALIAS EDWARD WATERS.

Helped to Arrest Man Who Escaped From State Prison

William H. Smith, alias Edward Waters, who escaped from the state prison at Charlestown, was arrested in Boston last fall by a police inspector of that city, assisted by Inspector Charles Laflamme of Lowell. Inspector Laflamme was in Boston looking for goods that had been stolen in Lowell, and the two inspectors came upon Waters as he and his pal were leaving a pawnshop after having disposed of goods that were stolen in Somerville.

For 48 hours the state prison authorities, the Boston police and officers from the Cambridge, Somerville, Malden and Chelsea departments have been engaged in unrelenting search for Edward Waters, the "trusty" who made his sensational escape from the prison last Wednesday night, but so far their efforts have led to no clue as to his whereabouts.

That a convict, dressed in prison garb and without money or valuables, should be able to defy the vigilance of hundreds of police officers so successfully, causes Warden Bridges to believe that Waters is bein gaided by friends.

The escaped prisoner is known to have a wide acquaintance in New York, and to be more or less familiar with a certain class in Cambridge and Somerville, and the police believe that he will turn up sooner or later at the lodgings of a certain young woman who has been his only visitor since he entered the door of the jail.

WOMAN'S HOME UNDER SURVEILLANCE.

The state prison authorities claim that this woman's identity and whereabouts are well known to them, and that it is only a matter of time before the surveillance to which her home is at present subjected will lead to Water's recapture.

Meanwhile the railroad yards, the docks and the cars and ferries are being carefully shadowed. There is, of course, a bare possibility that Waters may have gotten out of town on one of the freight trains Wednesday night, but his description has been sent broadcast, and his recapture by out-of-town officers in such an event seems positive.

"I had rather lose $1000 than have Waters escape," said Warden Bridges to a reporter yesterday.

BRIDGES BELIEVES HIDING PLACE NEAR.

"Every one of the prisoners but Goodwin, the life man, and Waters, both of them "trusties," were under lock and key at the time. I knew, of course, that Goodwin would make no effort to get out, and of course Waters was only released in order that he might shave me.

"I feel sure, however, that we will have Waters within a very few hours. He had no money and few friends any nearer here than New York city. I am inclined to think that he is hiding somewhere in the near vicinity of the prison, and will exert every effort to hunt out his lair before the chase grows cold."

WOMAN SMILED

WHEN THE JURY FOUND HER NOT GUILTY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—"Not guilty" was the verdict last night of the jury that decided the fate of Mrs. Catherine Ray, of Newark, on trial for the alleged murder of her four-year-old niece, Marie C. Conning, on November 27 last.

The verdict was a surprise in view of the charge of Chief Justice Gummere, which, the lawyers held, was distinctly in favor of the prosecution.

That the remarkably clear and logical summing up of the defense by Elvin W. Crane, formerly prosecuting attorney for the county, had as much to do with the result as the evidence itself was clear to all who heard it.

Mrs. Ray herself never lost hope until the judge touched on the testimony in his charge. While Attorney Crane addressed the jury she sat erect, her cheeks flushing with excitement, keenly alive to the good points he made, and from time to time discussing with Attorney Cahill the facts as presented.

When Chief Justice Gummere began in calm, analytical fashion to define the points of law for the benefit of the jury, she leaned forward with parted lips, her expression becoming curiously child-like as she listened.

And when he touched on the testimony, and in cold, judicial fashion threw doubt on some of her statements, telling the jurymen that to them belonged the task of deciding the weight of testimony on each side, her face became pale, her small eyes seemed to become more points in her face, and her thin lips became thinner as she compressed them.

At 5.25 o'clock the jury filed out. Men predicted it would not agree until after the holiday. The crowd that had thronged the court room all day, listening patiently to the long speeches of the attorneys, regretfully straggled out. Still the black-robed figure in charge of the constables was permitted to remain in the court room.

And while she waited two men were brought in and arraigned on the charge of murder. Sadly she looked on. Both pleaded "not guilty." The scene was depressing to Mrs. Ray. As the two shuffling figures were led away she, too, was removed, to await the finding of the jury.

At 7.30 o'clock the verdict had been found. The jury was unanimous. Messengers were sent out to recall Chief Justice Gummere, the court clerk, the stenographer, the prisoner and her lawyers.

The woman smiled when she heard the verdict.

GOT A DIVORCE

WIFE FOUND LETTER WRITTEN TO HUSBAND.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—My Dearest Love: It hurts, dear, to know we cannot have Thanksgiving dinner together. Dearest, I cannot tell you how I missed you last night. It was so lonesome. But I must stop that right now.

We had such a good time in spite of my impatience. I hope you got home safely, and will have a good Thanksgiving dinner. It is with your wife, I believe.

Clinton, I love you, dear, and hope we can see each other soon. Love and kisses HILDA.

On the strength of this letter, which, it is alleged, was written by one Hilda Wade to De Witt Clinton West, and some other evidence given by private detectives, showing that West had visited Miss Wade in her flat at 215 West Thirty-fourth street, a jury in the supreme court declared yesterday that Mrs. Elida May West, a tall young blonde from Denver, Colo., was entitled to a divorce.

West married Miss Elida May at Buffalo in 1890, while still at college. The trial was peculiar in that West did not appear, though represented by counsel, while Mrs. West sat in a retired part of the court room.

A number of the public schools throughout the city held exercises this afternoon in honor of the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. In a number of the schools, especially the Abraham Lincoln school in Chelmsford street, which is named after the president, elaborate exercises are being held.

State Inspector Frank G. Wasley of this city has received notice to attend the funeral of the late Rufus R. Wade, chief of the district, which takes place tomorrow afternoon from his home in Somerville.

RUSSIAN-JAPANESE WAR

Continued

JAPANESE SQUADRON NEAR PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12.-There is a marked lull in war news. No confirmation has been received here of the reported attempts of the Japanese to land troops near Port Arthur. Captain Tamari, the Japanese naval attache, discredits these rumors. He said:

"The Japanese will never attempt to take Port Arthur from the sea alone."

The captain attaches the greatest importance to the seizure of Masampho, Korea, as giving Japan command of the straits of Korea and preventing a juncture of the Russian squadrons. He thinks from the plans previously arranged that the main Japanese squadron is still in the vicinity of Port Arthur, probably preparing for another attack.

NO REPORT OF FURTHER FIGHTING

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—It is positively asserted by the government that no telegrams have been received from Viceroy Alexieff except those already given out, and it is understood that even the czar is expectantly awaiting for complete, direct official information.

At the admiralty it was said that some technical details had been received but nothing in regard to further fighting.

The explanation of the admiralty of the non-receipt here of direct news of the naval battle off Chemulpo was lack of cable connections.

What additional information the authorities have has been obtained from the Russian embassies abroad. The ambassador of Russia at Paris has sent a full story of the battle of Chemulpo in which he praises the heroic conduct of the Russian soldiers.

The newspapers here today printed the bare, foreign telegrams, telling of what has happened in Korea. Large crowds of people are constantly at the admiralty, seeking information in regard to the fate of relatives in the fleet.

The movement of Russian troops eastward is being pushed from all directions.

Notice has been given that emigration eastward is suspended. In fact, the Siberian railroad is monopolized by the transportation of troops and war munitions, to the complete exclusion of commercial traffic.

TWO CONFLICTS HAVE TAKEN PLACE

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—A careful study of the reports that have reached America and Europe from the east, including press despatches and communications through official channels, would indicate that but two actual conflicts of any moment have so far occurred. These are the Japanese naval attack on Port Arthur on Monday night and Tuesday morning and the affair at Chemulpo on Monday and Tuesday. In circles whose knowledge of conditions in that part of the world allows them to speak with accuracy, the various reports of other engagements are considered but echoes of these two fights.

News travels slowly in North China. Cable and telegraph facilities are very limited and it is evident that as reports of the Port Arthur and Chemulpo affairs reach various points they are promptly cabled by resident correspondents, resulting in a natural confusion of dates. The circumstantial report of another engagement sent by the Reuter Telegram Co., from Tokio, under date of Feb. 10, published in this country yesterday afternoon, is believed also to have referred to the original Port Arthur attack, news of which had just reached Tokio, or that the despatch was delayed in transmission. This belief is strengthened by the fact that no official confirmation has been received of subsequent engagements and it is pointed out that such official advices were received through the various embassies at Washington promptly on the heels of the press reports of the events of Monday and Tuesday. The flood of conflicting despatches from various north China points during the Boxer revolution is recalled. For this reason the report cabled by the Tien Tsin correspondent of the London Standard that a Russian fleet had bombarded Hakodate is entirely disregarded. Naval men in this city say that so far as is known the only Russian vessels in position to make a move are those at Vladivostok and that it cannot for a moment be thought that they would be withdrawn from the defence of that important depot, even if they are free of the ice and not blocked up by a Japanese squadron, as has been reported. In view of the fact that there is no cable connection between Japan and China except by way of Shanghai, it is to say the least improbable that such important news would be first heard in the inland town of Tien Tsin.

The official note sent out last night from St. Petersburg that the cable from Vladivostock to Nagasaki, the telegraph line from Seoul to Masampho and the telegraph line from Seoul to Wonsan are broken limits communication with Japan to the cables that land at Shanghai which are under Japanese censorship. This is additional reason to discredit the vague reports of further engagements.

JAPANESE TROOPS BEING EMBARKED

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The Japanese minister here, Baron Hayashi, has received a despatch from the government at Tokio announcing that the latter has not yet received an official report of the battle fought off Port Arthur and adding that apparently the disembarkation of Japanese troops is proceeding satisfactorily and without disorder at Chemulpo, the port of Seoul, Korea, and elsewhere.

RUSSIAN MINISTER GOES TO CHINA

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The advices of the Japanese minister announce that M. Pavloff the Russian minister at Seoul and the Russian legation guard have departed for China and that the Russian officers and sailors who surrendered to the Japanese after the battle fought off Chemulpo will be sent to Shanghai under parole on the first neutral vessel available.

ANOTHER DANGER IN THE NEAR EAST

PARIS, Feb. 12—In accounting for the disposition of the continental powers to preserve strict neutrality in the far east it must be considered that there is another danger nearer home. The probabilities of approaching troubles in the near east are not diminished. A rupture between Turkey and Bulgaria is not improbable. The situation in the Balkan peninsula will be found to influence certain great powers in their attitude respecting the far east. In this connection there is one fact of importance.

No matter what the interests of England and France in the far east may be, in the near east their interests do not clash. Last year the two countries worked harmoniously and in some degree successfully together. No doubt similar harmonious action is contemplated by both governments in the event of war in the far east for the protection of their individual and mutual interests, and this, no doubt, is a fresh guarantee that they will not be drawn into the Russo-Japanese war save, perhaps, in the last extremity.

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Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a good tonic and invigorator for weak, run down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed at Goodale's Drug Store, 217 Central street, Lowell.

DR. DE COSTA

IS REPORTED TO BE DYING IN ROME.

ROME, Feb. 12.—Dr. B. F. De Costa, the famous convert to Catholicism, is dying. Dr. De Costa's condition has been precarious for some time, and was so critical last November that an unusual haste was shown in granting him his priesthood. He was ordained a sub-deacon Nov. 15, was made a deacon Nov. 22 and ordained a priest on Nov. 29, thus having passed from sub-deacon to priest in 14 days. At the time of his ordination Father De Costa was too ill to officiate.

For 36 years Dr. De Costa was an Episcopal minister in New York city. In the fall of 1899, during the Briggs controversy, which at one time threatened to shake the very foundation of the Episcopal church, Dr. De Costa was very active in his fight against recognizing Dr. Briggs, and wrote a number of letters to Bishop Potter, demanding that the charges against Dr. Briggs be probed.

Failing to move the bishop to action, he threatened to have him impeached, and preached a number of sermons in which he denounced his superior in scathing terms.

When Dr. Briggs was finally admitted to the Episcopal ministry Dr. De Costa resigned. Bishop Potter speedily accepted the resignation, and at a service in Poughkeepsie deposed the minister from office.

Dr. De Costa immediately embraced the Catholic faith. Mrs. De Costa died in 1900.

JOSEPH SALOMONSON

HOPES TO LIVE FOUR HUNDRED YEARS.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—According to Joseph Salomonson, who has arrived from Liverpool, everybody has a chance to live 400 years. Mr. Salomonson expects to do it himself. He has written a book on the subject.

Mr. Salomonson uses no animal food or salt, drinks nothing, not even water, wears plain robes and sandals and knows every one of Richard Wagner's operatic dramas word for word. He sleeps on the ground, wears his hair long, and says there is no philosophy but that of common sense.

He amassed a great fortune in the East India trade, and is now free to indulge his unique ideas. His home is in Belgium.

NO MORE PERMITS

FOR BUILDING IN THE BURNED DISTRICT.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 12.—A conference was held today between Mayor Robert M. McLane and the board of public safety at the conclusion of which it was announced that no permits to build in the burned area will be issued for the present.

The question of widening some of the streets and an examination of plans for fireproof buildings are matters that will have to be passed upon by the board before any permits to rebuild are issued.

MORGAN'S SPEECH

READ IN THE SENATE BY CARMACK.

WASHINGTON Feb. 12.—In the senate today, Mr. Martin presented the credentials of his colleague, Mr. Daniel, as senator from Virginia for the term beginning March 4, 1905.

The chair appointed Mr. Heyburn to read Washington's farewell address to the senate on Monday, the 22nd inst.

Mr. Morgan's resolution asking for information from the attorney general as to what steps are being taken to acquire the property of the new Panama Canal company, was then taken up and Mr. Morgan was recognized to speak on it. The Alabamian stated that his throat was in such condition as to render it impossible for him to deliver the speech. He therefore asked that Mr. Carmack might be permitted to read the speech. There was no objection and Mr. Carmack proceeded to read, Mr. Morgan sitting by his side.

The speech was an arraignment of the policy of the president in connection with the isthmian canal project, the senator asserting that the chief executive has been for the past two years engaged in planning the evasion of the Spooner law.

When at 2.15 p. m., Mr. Carmack concluded the senate went into executive session for the consideration of the Panama canal treaty.

IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—A tribute to the memory of Abraham Lincoln was the burden of the invocation of Chaplain Couden on the convening of the house today.

After referring to the greatness of the nation and its leaders he said:

"We are reminded today of one of the greatest in the annals of our nation, who, great in his goodness and good in his greatness, bore the sorrows of his people, east, west, north and south, through four years of civil strife and died a martyr to his convictions."

The house agreed as its first business to adjourn until Monday at the conclusion of the session today.

The house took up private pension bills, Mr. Hedges (Md.) being selected as chairman of the committee of the whole.

RECORD BREAKER

Year's Fire Record May be Big One

If fires occur during the remainder of the year as fast as they have since the beginning of the present year a wonderful record for fire will be established. The fires came speedy during the first 42 days of this year and while the majority of them have been of a trifling nature, owing in many cases to the prompt and effective work of the department, several of the worst conflagrations in the city's history have occurred this year.

During the first 42 days of this year, which is bringing the time up to today, 84 alarms have been registered at the central fire station against 63 during the same time last year. This year there have been at the rate of two fires a day. If the department continues to respond to an average of two alarms a day for the remainder of the year the total number at the end of the year will be 732, as against 415 last year.

So far this month there have been 20 alarms for fires, and the month is not half over, while during the entire month of February of last year there were 31 alarms.

AN INJUNCTION

AGAINST THE JOURNEYMEN PLUMBERS' ASSOCIATION.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Feb. 12.—Judge Hosea of the superior court today made perpetual a temporary injunction against the journeymen plumbers' association and the building trades council forbidding them to interfere by patrolling, intimidation, or persuasion with the employes of master plumbers. This is a case where a strike was ordered by way of discipline to compel the payment of dues to a union. The court holds that these bodies do not have to be incorporated in order to be subject to injunction but that every member of both organizations is enjoined in perpetuity and held liable for damage done by violation of the court's order.

WILL APPEAL

EX-ALDERMAN WAS ACCUSED OF BRIBERY.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 12.—Ex-Alderman Jacob Ellen, convicted of accepting a bribe in the water deal, has decided to perfect an appeal to the supreme court. This decision was announced to Judge Newham when Ellen came into court today and sentence was deferred until Feb. 25. Further prosecution of those under arrest for bribing in connection with the water deal has been postponed to allow the prosecutor to prepare for the supreme court cases in which conviction has already been secured.

EPITHELIOMA

Covering One Side of Face and Reaching to the Eye

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Here is another of those remarkable cures of torturing, disfiguring skin humors daily made by Cuticura Resolvent, assisted by Cuticura Ointment and Soap, after physicians, hospitals and all else had failed.

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EXTRA

5 O'CLOCK

STOLE A SKIRT

Sarah Cohen Pleaded Not Guilty

WEIGHT OF EVIDENCE WAS AGAINST HER

Man Lied to Judge Hadley

Sarah Cohen, 17, in police court today pleaded not guilty to the larceny of a skirt from the card room in the Appleton mill. The odds were against Sarah, however, and she was found guilty. A fine of $12 was imposed.

Despite the fact that two witnesses said they saw Sarah take the skirt, she told Judge Hadley that she didn't touch it. Sarah's father, Patrick Cohen, was in court and acted as counsel for his girl.

Patrick asked one witness for the government how far the skirt was hanging from the floor. "How high up did it hang?" he asked. The witness held his hand above his head to describe the distance.

"She can't never reach it," said Patrick.

"What is that?" asked the court.

"It is too high up for Sarah," said Patrick.

Sarah Cohen is a very pretty little girl and she looked very innocent as she told her story to Judge Hadley, but her phraseology didn't appeal to the court. "A girl would be crazy to swipe a skirt like that," was one of her remarks.

JUGGLED THE TRUTH.

If Bernard J. Lee had told Judge Hadley the whole truth and nothing but the truth yesterday morning he would be a free man today, but instead his address for the next three months will be the common jail.

Bernard was in court yesterday morning and pleaded not guilty to a complaint charging him with larceny. His frankness impressed the court and Bernard was asked if he had ever been arrested before. After some hesitation he said he had been arrested twice for drunkenness in Somerville. He gave the name of a Somerville patrolman that he said knew him very well. Lieut. Donaldson telephoned to the officer, whose name Bernard gave, and found that Bernard had been arrested nine times for drunkenness within the last seven years. When Judge Hadley found out that Bernard had lied to him he told the clerk to sentence him to three months in jail.

BOY CHARGED WITH ASSAULT.

John Lough, 12, was charged with assault and battery on Hugh F. Maguire, a boy of the same age. The Lough boy's father appeared for him and asked that the case be continued to tomorrow. The continuance was granted. Both boys live in Dracut.

MORE STATE CHARGES.

Harry W. Shepard, 11, was turned over to the state board of charity and minor wards. Harry Shepard is the boy who was deserted by his father and mother a few weeks ago. It was at first thought that his parents had gone to Barre Plains, but a few days after Harry's plight was made known to the police his mother was arrested for drunkenness. His father did go to Barre Plains, but they have not heard from him.

John J. Blight was also turned over to the state for safe keeping. John is a bright appearing lad. His father and mother are in jail and the boy was growing up in neglect.

REAY BROTHERS FINED.

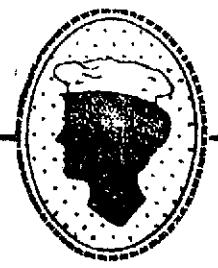
Powell and Thomas Reay, brothers, charged with drunkenness, were fined $15 each. The Reay brothers were on the warpath yesterday and made things a bit lively in Dutton street. They cast their "rays" in various directions and some of their victims saw stars.

SPECIAL MEETING

OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN CALLED FOR MONDAY.

Mayor Howe has called a meeting of the board of aldermen for Monday afternoon to draw jurors.

Mohairs' Valentine party. Saturday night, Odd Fellows' temple.



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IOWA TRUST LAW

Declared to be Unconstitutional

WATERLOO, Iowa, Feb. 12.—In a decision sustaining a demurrer in the case of the state of Iowa against the Illinois Central, the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, the Great Western railway, indicted on a charge of conspiracy in fixing the amount of demurrage charges, Judge Franklin C. Platt in the district court, has declared the Iowa trust law unconstitutional and finds for the defendant railways.

Last August the three railways leading into Waterloo fixed a demurrage charge of $2 for every 24 hours a freight car was delayed in excess of 48 hours. It was believed the railways were thereby amenable to a section of the code which provides that any persons or corporations entering into an agreement to fix the price of any article of merchandise or commodity shall be guilty of conspiracy.

Another section provides as a penalty a fine of not less than one or more than 20 per cent. of the capital stock of the offending company or person. This section of the law, Judge Platt declares, is in contravention of the fourteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States and consequently unconstitutional.

Under this section the minimum fine which could be imposed on the three railways would be $2,280,000 of which the county attorney would receive $450,000. The Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific being an Illinois corporation would also forfeit its license in Iowa if convicted under this charge and the fine imposed might reach the enormous figure of $19,995,000.

In the opinion, Judge Platt says:

"A law which requires a man who is possessed of $1,000,000 to pay a fine of $100,000, while for the same offense a man possessed of $1000 is subject to a penalty of but $100, would be destructive to the foundation upon which constitutional law must rest, yet such is the effect of this section.

TEMPORARY INJUNCTION

AGAINST THE INTERNATIONAL PRESSMEN'S UNION.

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—A temporary injunction against the International Pressmen's and Assistants' union was issued today by Justice Loring in the supreme judicial court of Massachusetts by which the defendants are restrained from bringing about a sympathetic strike in connection with that of the job compositors in this city. The injunction was asked by the United Typothetae of America. The members of the Boston branch of this organization are the proprietors of the printing plants where 250 or more compositors are out and where over 100 pressmen have struck in sympathy.

UNDER AN ENGINE

OLDEST ENGINEER IN THE U. S. CRUSHED TO DEATH.

MEADVILLE, Col., Feb. 12.—William Miller, 71 years old, probably the oldest engineer in service in the United States, has been crushed to death under his engine while making some repairs on the Rio Grande road. Miller began railroading 52 years ago on the Reading.

GERMAN CRUISER

TO TAKE AWAY GERMANS FROM CHEFOO.

BERLIN, Feb. 12.—The German cruiser Hansa left Chefoo today for Port Arthur to bring away the German women and children from that port.

GRAND ARMY FLAG DAY.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 12.—Elaborately planned programs in the public schools and the official state observance by the general assembly in the representative chamber at the state house, comprised the chief feature of the observance of Lincoln's birthday in Rhode Island today. The day is known as "Grand Army flag day" in the schools and the scholars listened to addresses by civil war veterans. Gov. Garvin presided over the exercises at the Capitol and the chief orator of the day was Rev. Clay MacCauley of this city.

TO STOP "POT HUNTING."

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 12.—The League of American Sportsmen has adjourned to meet in Seattle in June, 1905. Resolutions were adopted favoring the enactment of a new law governing the Ohio fish and game commission; declaring against spring shooting in any of the states and favoring the enactment of laws in all states requiring foreign born unnaturalized persons to secure a license before they can hunt. This is aimed to put an end to "pot hunting."

Following the adjustment of the league, an organization was effected of the national association of fish and game wardens and commissioners. Their purpose is the prosecution of law breakers and the compiling of decisions touching their work in protecting fish and game.

RICHARD HARDING DAVIS.

MARION, Mass., Feb. 12.—Richard Harding Davis has been appointed commissioner from Venezuela to the World's Fair at St. Louis, this year. The appointment was made by Senor Gustavo of Sanavria, minister of foreign affairs, at the request of President Castro. Mr. Davis, whose home is in this town, has written much concerning Venezuela and is viewed as a warm friend of the country by President Castro.

FAILURE IN LONDON.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The failure of William Rae Morrison, a jobber in American securities, was announced today on the stock exchange.

CRASHED INTO CAR

(Continued.)

the left hand side of the truck. Motorman Noah P. Batchelder and Conductor Eugene Malone had charge of the car which figured in the accident. The collision occurred nearly opposite the storehouse of the American Bolt shop in Lawrence street, and Captain Gibson was crushed between the truck and the car, while Fireman Brown was thrown from his seat at the tiller to the ground but escaped without dangerous injury. The grab rail on the side of the car was badly bent, but the truck escaped injury.

The driver of the truck blames the motorman for the accident and on the other hand the motorman blames the driver of the truck.

DWYER'S STORY.

The following is the story told by Driver Dwyer of the truck company: "At 5.34 an alarm from box 57 sounded, and after making a quick hitch I jumped to my position on the front seat; Brown was on the rear seat holding the tiller, while Captain Gibson jumped on the front step on the left side of the truck. Swinging out of the firehouse we went into Lawrence street and upon reaching the curve at the junction of Andrews, Agawam and Lawrence streets I noticed that there was an electric car in the turnout near the corner of Watson street. During the bad conditions of the streets we have had to use the car tracks and I expected that the motorman would give me the right of way and stay at the turnout until I struck it, when I could take the curve to the right and get by with plenty of room to spare. The truck was lighted with the regulation number of lanterns, but fearing that the motorman might not see us coming, I clanged the bell from the moment I turned the corner until the collision occurred. Feeling confident that the motorman saw me coming I started the horses at a rapid clip down the hill and it was not until I had passed the railroad track that I noticed that the car had started up and was coming towards me at a good rate of speed. Knowing that a collision would result if I held to the track I gave my horses a quick pull and partially stopping them swung the front wheels clear of the track and I felt the rear wheels leave the track when the car crashed into the side of the truck.

"I managed to hold my seat when the shock occurred but Brown was thrown from his seat and Capt. Gibson was wedged between the side of the truck and the car."

WHAT MOTORMAN SAYS.

On the other hand Motorman Batchelder and Conductor Malone claim that their car was at a standstill when the accident occurred. It is claimed by the motorman that he did not see the truck or have any warning of its approach until after he had left the turnout. As soon as he discovered the wagon coming he brought his car to a standstill, he says, expecting that the driver of the truck would pull his wagon out of the car tracks and pass him.

He would have reversed his power and backed the car, he said, but for the fact that there were two cars behind him, three cars making the early trip. The motorman claims that he did all in his power to avert an accident. Another story told by the street railway is that when the driver of the truck pulled out of the car track the pole of the wagon struck a telegraph pole which threw the truck against the car and threw Capt. Gibson off the step.

Immediately after the accident Capt. Gibson was placed on the electric car and taken to the Lawrence street fire house, where he was placed in bed and Dr. Edward J. Welch was summoned. Upon the arrival of the doctor an examination showed that Gibson was suffering from a broken collar bone. The patient is resting comfortably at the present writing.

The fire in which the truck was responding when the accident occurred was in one of Robert G. Bartlett's houses in Williams street. The fire started in the attic near the chimney and it was at first thought that the fire was caused by the chimney, but an investigation showed that it must have started from some other source.

When the department arrived the fire was burning in a brisk manner and a considerable portion of the roof was burned before the fire was placed under control.

Fred. C. Church had the insurance on the property.

CAPTAIN ALBERT H. GIBSON.

OFFICERS INSTALLED

BY CLUB FRONTENAC LAST EVENING.

The Club Frontenac held last evening at its rooms in the Vincent building, the installation of its officers for the ensuing year, elected at the first regular assembly in January. A large number of the members were present, and several interesting speeches were made. Mr. L. P. Turcotte and Dr. H. L. Langis were the installing officers.

The officers installed were J. W. Paradis, Sr., president; L. P. Turcotte, vice president; H. A. Toupin, secretary, Alphonse Bibeault, treasurer; Camille Roussin, collector; Hubert Denault, Joseph Roy, Evaris Paquette, Joseph Marin, board of directors. The chairman of this last named board is Mr. Turcotte, vice president of the club.

WILL NOT OPEN

MADISON SQUARE THEATRE MAY REMAIN CLOSED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—It is reported that efforts are about to be given up in the direction of reopening the Madison Square theatre. The house which has been the scene of many successes, was closed recently, by order of the mayor, pending certain alterations deemed necessary for the protection of patrons. These changes, it is understood, would necessitate an expenditure deemed prohibitive to the commercial success of the thesatre and the firm holding the lease is said to be negotiating for its cancellation.

Three other theatres closed by the authorities have completed alterations and reopened.

NEW HARDWARE FIRM

TO START BUSINESS ON MARKET STREET.

Messrs. Ervin B. Smith and Frank C. Lawrence, who have for a number of years been employed in the Thompson Hardware Co., as clerks, have launched out for themselves, and have leased the large store at 47 Market street, formerly occupied by W. T. Bradley, and in a short time will open to the public one of the best and most completely stocked hardware stores in this city. These young men have had a schooling in this line of business for more than ten years, having graduated from C. B. Coburn's store on Market street and the Thompson Hardware Co., so that they are familiar with every line of the business in all its details from a to z. The building in which they will conduct their business is very centrally located and they will have ample floor space. They have already started to remodel the interior of the building, and they will occupy the main floor as well as the three floors above and the basement. The store has a frontage of 22 feet and a depth of 80 feet, making in all an area of about 5000 square feet. These young men while acting as clerks for these two large business houses have an acquaintance with a large number of people in the city and suburbs, who on learning they have launched out for themselves will be pleased to visit their establishment which will be open for business in a very short time.

We are always pleased to see our young men entering in business on their own account, and we wish them success in their new enterprise.

MASTER PAINTERS MEET.

TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 12.—The master painters and decorators of the United States and Canada have adjourned to meet in Milwaukee next year. John Dewar, Pittsburg, was elected president; O. S. Ross, Chicago, vice president and W. E. Wall, secretary-treasurer and chief organizer. An executive committee was also chosen.

SHE WAS DYING

Consumption's Deadly Grasp Broken by Blood Wine.

Mr. S. Raynor, 1256 Third St., S. E., Washington, D. C., says:

"In August last my daughter Elsie was taken with the typhoid fever; she was in the care of two physicians for about two months, expecting her to die every day. After the fever broke both doctors said it had left her with consumption, and that it was only a question of a few days, and that they could do nothing more for her. She then could not raise her hands over her head. My wife suggested that we try 'Blood Wine,' as the doctors had ceased to give her any medicine. We commenced the 'Blood Wine' with excellent results. After taking the first bottle she got out of bed and sat in an invalid chair, and after the second bottle she came downstairs and kept on improving right along until she had taken six bottles, and now she is as well and strong as she ever was in her life, and if you should see her you would not think there were any signs of consumption."

Read what Mr. Peter Berry of Pearl St., Augusta, Me., who was a very sick man, says:

"A very hard cold settled on my lungs, causing a most obstinate cough that no medicine given me would relieve. During many months I suffered untold misery, my lung trouble growing worse. My physician was baffled and finally told me I would have to go to a warmer climate. I saw 'Blood Wine' advertised and decided to try it. After taking it regularly I was greatly pleased with its results and am now well. My astounding recovery was a surprise to my physicians. Those whom I have since advised to use it believe with me that it is the greatest medicine in the world."

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RUSSIAN-JAPANESE WAR

Continued

RUSSIA ALARMED

COAL CARGOES STOPPED

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—Nine thousand soldiers and 22,000 tons of military stores are waiting at Sevastopol for transportation to the fast east.

The Russian ministry of marine, particularly the Grand Duke Alexander Mikhailovitch, are much annoyed that the admiral commanding the Russian Pacific squadron allowed himself to be surprised. Alexeyeff comes in for a share of the reproach.

The public generally displays anxiety but confidence reigns in military circles. Sober public opinion continues to view the war with apprehension. Prince Ukhtomsky says the opinions of thousands upon thousands of Russians is that the war with Japan will be useless, without result and will advantage none but western Europeans.

It is reported from Glasgow that the Russian government is stopping the shipment of coal to the far east, and in some cases ordering coal at sea to be discharged at the nearest Russian port. A similar report comes from Cardiff. London merchants who have been acting for the Russian government are taking measures to divert cargoes now en route to Port Arthur, in order to prevent the Japanese capturing them.

BALTIC FLEET WILL BE USELESS

LONDON, Feb. 12.—At the Japanese legation last night no great importance was attached to the report that the Russian Baltic squadron is going to the far east.

It was explained that even were the report true, the fleet would not reach the scene of operations under six weeks, by which time the situation might have changed materially. In any case it was said the Japanese navy would be quite ready to meet the ships.

It was also pointed out at the legation that since Great Britain has declared her neutrality, and as most of the coaling ports east of Suez are British, the Russian men-of-war will experience great difficulties in coaling, or be hindered by necessity of having colliers accompany them.

MANY STATEMENTS CONCERNING BATTLE

LONDON, Feb. 12—Statements of all kinds concerning the Port Arthur fight were published here this morning.

According to the Chefoo correspondent of the Daily Mail the lack of preparation on the part of the Russians at Port Arthur was due to the fact that all the naval and military officers were attending a circus performance in Port Arthur, which did not terminate until early Tuesday morning.

According to the correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald at Chefoo, the Japanese torpedo boats succeeded in entering the outer harbor by a ruse; they used the Russian flash lights signals. This correspondent adds that three Japanese torpedo boats were sunk with great loss of life.

A correspondent of the Standard at Tokio sends in this morning an entirely new account of the Port Arthur encounter. He says Admiral Togo's fleet arrived on Monday night and found the Russian squadron drawn up in battle formation outside the harbor and under the shadow of the forts, the destroyers being spread out in front over a distance of five miles. Admiral Togo decided on a night attack and opened fire at 11 o'clock. While the cannonade was hottest a number of Japanese torpedo boats crept along close in-shore at the foot of the cliff and succeeded in the darkness in getting between the Russian ships and the land. Here they lay unnoticed until the Russians began to give way before the Japanese fire and sought to re-enter the harbor. The Japanese torpedo boats then opened fire at comparatively close range and sunk two battleships and one cruiser close to the entrance of the harbor. The effect of this coup was the retreat of the remainder of the squadron into the harbor. All was safe on board the Japanese ships at noon of Tuesday, the correspondent concludes, and the engagement was still in progress.

VICEROY ALEXIEFF REPORTS DAMAGE DONE

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—The czar yesterday received a telegram from Viceroy Alexieff describing the damage done to the Russian warships during the bombardment by the Japanese fleet at Port Arthur. It says:

"The Czarevitch and Pallada were brought into the harbor Tuesday. The Retvizan is making temporary repairs to a hole. Repairs to the battleships are so complicated that it is difficult to say when they will be ready. The Pallada and Novik will be docked in turn and expect them to be ready in a fortnight. All the other vessels injured in the fight are now repairing and coaling in the harbor. I expect them to be ready in three days.

"The wounded officers, Lieut. Col. Zalorichkovsky, of the artillery corps, and Lieut. Petrof are doing well. Four of the wounded have died. A majority of the injured belonged to the cruiser Pallada and their injuries are due to gases from the explosion of a melinite torpedo. A careful search by cruisers and torpedo boats yesterday and last night has not revealed the presence of the enemy."

It is officially announced that no news has been received here of the fight at Chemulpo, the landing of Japanese or the blowing up of a bridge on the Manchurian railroad.

DOWAGER EMPRESS TO RED CROSS

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12—The dowager empress has issued a rescript to the Red Cross of Russia directing it to make provision to alleviate the sufferings of the wounded in the war with Japan. A branch of the Red Cross has been established in the new hermitage of the winter palace. The offers of services have been so numerous that no more will be entertained at present. A continuance of the patriotic demonstrations in which thousands of students and workmen participate is reported from Moscow, Kieff and other places.

JAPANESE LEAGUE ISSUES MANIFESTO

HONOLULU, Feb. 12—The Central Japanese league on advice of Japanese Consul Niki Saito has caused the following manifesto to Japanese subjects in Hawaii to be distributed through all the islands:

"All subjects of the emperor in Hawaii are to regulate their conduct with due regard to the obligation of belligerent subjects in neutral territory. If the reserves are called for it will be the high privilege of the reservists in Hawaii immediately to respond, taking special care to make preparations to be ready to return to Japan in as quiet and calm a manner as in time of peace."

FIRST BATTLE OFF PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 12.—A despatch from Chefoo says that out of the four Japanese torpedo boats which made the first attack Monday night at Port Arthur, three were sunk with great loss of life. The fourth was a 28-knot boat and escaped. The Japanese torpedo boats effected an entrance into the outer harbor by using the Russian signal flashlights. Consequently, the Russians did not fire on them. The following account of the first surprise is from a Russian naval officer:

The battleship Pallada was on the outside edge of the Russian fleet, and on duty that night. The chief artillery officer noticed four torpedo boats approach with full lights and in all respects like Russian torpedo boats. The officer informed his captain that the approaching boats were Japanese. The captain denied this and said they were built in Port Arthur. The artillery officer insisted that they were Japanese, and the captain became angry, saying: "I am in command of the ship, sir."

Despite this the artillery officer gave orders to prepare for action. Immediately after the Japanese launched a torpedo, but the Pallada was able to retaliate instantly, and the other Russian ship cleared for action.

It is reported now that the Japanese attempted a landing near Bebrezo, 80 miles north of Port Arthur, but were repulsed with heavy loss. They again tried to effect a landing at Talienwan under the shelter of the fleet, but owing to the strong fort firing they were unable to succeed.

It is said that one Japanese ship has been torpedoed.

The British merchant ships in Port Arthur have repeatedly applied for permission to leave port, but this has been refused.

The Czarevitch was towed into the harbor here at 3 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. It is said only her outer bottom was penetrated by the Japanese torpedo, and Russians are now busy repairing her. She can be repaired in two or three days.

The Pallada is still outside and beached. She must be severely injured but she is now also being repaired. She is the only one of the torpedoed vessels now outside.

A shell struck the hospital ship outside the basin during the bombardment. The captain's cabin and the chart room were blown off, but there was no loss of life, as the ship was only recently purchased and was unmanned.

The foreigners in Port Arthur were notified at 7 o'clock on Monday night, but the British steamers have been forbidden to leave. One German steamer arrived at Chefoo today, the first to get here from Port Arthur since the Columbia reached here after the battle.

On Wednesday the Japanese tried to land at Pigeon's bay, near Port Arthur. Thirty-six Japanese vessels were then there. It is not known if the attempt succeeded.

Thousands of persons are leaving Port Arthur daily by train. There is not even standing room in the cars.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon the Russian transport Smolensk and torpedo boat No. 211 entered the canal. Torpedo boat No. 222 has broken down and is repairing here. The Russian rouble has gone down 24 per cent. at Chefoo among the Chinese merchants.

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NIGHT EDITION

6 O'CLOCK

ROOSEVELT MEN

Insist on the Lodge Slate

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—With more determination than ever, the republican leaders in this state are to attempt to force the state convention to accept the Washington state for delegates-at-large, which comprises Crane, Lodge, Curtis and Benton.

A majority of the state committee is favorable to such a combination, and all efforts will be made to put it through the convention with all the Roosevelt enthusiasm that can be commanded.

The state committee will meet today to arrange for the convention, and incidentally to talk the situation over. The business of this meeting, in addition to selecting the time and place for holding the convention, will be to name a presiding officer, and it is expected that that task will fall upon Attorney-General Parker.

Although Eugene N. Foss and ex-Governor Long are each making their own fight for a place as delegate-at-large, the situation, so far as advices from Washington go, remains unchanged.

Senator Lodge refuses to yield to any man in his desire "to have none but Roosevelt men on guard." There are those on the inside of republican affairs who think that Senator Lodge will yield to the Foss sentiment, but as to the Long proposition, they use the word "never" as if it were printed in bill poster type.

Ex-Governor Long has surprised the politicians by his serious methods, and they find he has aroused a large number of the republicans, while Foss has emissaries all over the state. Some of the leaders profess surprise that the Long and Foss forces do not pool issues, as they have much in common in a contest like this. There is no likelihood of a combination at present, or, at least, until the delegates to the state convention are elected.

The ex-governor is making a campaign on the ground that the machine does not want him, while Foss is fighting for recognition of his reciprocity ideas.

WORK SUSPENDED

LARGE WATER MAIN WAS BROKEN BY DRIFT ICE.

NEWPORT, R. I., Feb. 12.—A large water main which extends across the harbor and supplies the gun cotton and smokeless powder factories at the torpedo station, was broken by drift ice today and as a result work at both plants was suspended. The ice field now extends far down the harbor and four sloops, nine schooners and a large number of coal barges are imprisoned.

WADE'S SUCCESSOR

SHAW AND WHITNEY ARE TALKED OF.

BOSTON, Feb. 12—Deputy Chief Joseph Shaw of Lynn is thought by the knowing ones to be Gov. Bates's choice for the position left vacant by the death of Chief Rufus B. Wade of the district police.

Mr. Shaw has had years of experience in detective work and was a member of the force as a detective for years.

On the other hand Jephaniah R. Whitney, who is in charge of the Middlesex county district, and is the brigadier-general in charge of the Second brigade, M. V. M., is said to have a strong hold on the place.

Gen Whitney has an excellent war record. Two years ago, when it was said that Chief Wade would retire, he was spoken of as the most likely successor.

Not only that, but when the legislature, at the recommendation of Gov. Crane, abolished the office of fire marshal and transferred five of the aides, including Deputy Shaw, to the police department, Gen. Whitney was spoken of as the man who would have charge of the detective force.

To the surprise of his friends and to others who come in contact with the department, Deputy Shaw was made deputy to Chief Wade.

Another man who cannot be forgotten in the fight for the place is George Neal of Lynn, who has an excellent record as a police officer, and since he has been attached to the state police has solved many important mysteries.

Neal was selected to take charge of the work of closing up Revere beach last summer. The work done there pleased Gov. Bates and made Neal's friends feel that he would be the most likely successor to Chief Wade.

The place, as far as can be foreseen at present, lies between these three men. The statute provides that the chief shall be appointed from the force.

The new appointee, it is expected, will be announced next Wednesday, when the governor's council meets.

HON. STARKES WHITON DEAD.

HINGHAM, Feb. 12—Hon. Starkes Whiton, a life long resident and one of the most prominent men of this town, died at his home here today, aged 75 years. Mr. Whiton had been an invalid for about a year. In town affairs he was always active and in state affairs held office for many years as chairman of the savings bank commission, having been appointed by Gov. Ames in 1887, and served in the state senate in 1880 and 1881. He is survived by a widow and three sons, one of whom is Chauncey H. Whiton, superintendent of the New Bedford steamboat line of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad.

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and never fails to please. All druggists, 35 cts.

THE GAS CASES

Have Been Postponed for a Week

BOSTON, Feb. 12—The suit of Receiver Geo. W. Pepper, of the Bay State Gas Co. of Delaware against the Mercantile Trust Co., of New York, Kinder, Peabody & Co., of Boston and others to have declared invalid the sale of the four Boston gas companies, was called before Justice Loring in the supreme court of Massachusetts today, but the case did not proceed, chiefly for the reason that counsel could not undertake to promise that the trial would be completed Feb. 19. The suggestion that the matter be heard before a master was opposed by other counsel and was not agreeable to the court. Attorney Snow for the defendants stated that if the court should find that the Bay State Gas Co. was ready and able to make good the default under its trust agreement and was prevented from so doing by the wrongful failure of the Boston gas companies to pay dividends, or the wrongful appointment of a receiver for the Bay State Gas Co., of New Jersey, a decree might be entered declaring the sale invalid without entering into the question of whether the facts were known to the defendant. Judge Loring would not agree to this and eventually after a recess it was decided that the parties would again appear in court within a week to agree as to the procedure.

SENT TO CONCORD

YOUNG BROKER'S CLERK STOLE MONEY.

BOSTON, Feb. 12—Frank E. Christianson, the young broker's clerk of Postoffice square, who stole bonds belonging to his employers, on which he realized some $800, was up for sentence yesterday.

The lad was given an excellent character and it was endeavored to have him put on probation.

Judge Aiken said, however: "It is abundantly plain that I must sentence this young man. I should feel that I ought not impose any more sentences for larceny if I let this boy go on probation. Young men ought to realize the danger attending such things. The interests of the public must be respected."

The defendant was then sent to the reformatory.

Warranted tooth brushes, 19c, 25c, 33c. A. W. Dows & Co.

HAYDEN IN COURT

BOSTON, Feb. 12—Frank Hayden, who was brought here today from the Salem jail pleaded not guilty when he was arraigned before Judge Aiken, in the Suffolk county superior criminal court on two counts of an indictment alleging responsibility for the burglary at the office of the Metropolitan Coal Co., in East Boston, Dec. 17, 1903. The first count charges breaking and entering the office and the larceny of $228. The second count charges intent to commit larceny and alleges that Hayden threatened to confine and kill John F. Donovan, the watchman. Bail was fixed at $10,000. Hayden was then returned to Salem.

LINCOLN DAY

FLAGS ARE FLYING ON MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

The flag on City hall floated to the breeze today in honor of Lincoln Day and many private residences and business houses also displayed the colors.

The Middlesex club holds its annual dinner in Boston this evening and among the Lowell men who will attend are Senator McKinley, ex-Aldermen Barton and Badger, Frank E. Dunbar and others.

HOUSE DESTROYED

LIVELY FIRE BROKE OUT IN ESSEX.

ESSEX, Mass., Feb. 12—A dwelling house here owned by Francis Dane of Hamilton and occupied by Andrew Perry, was burned early today. The loss is $5500.

WATER WASTED

SUCH IS BELIEF OF METROPOLITAN COMMISSION.

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—Upon the ground that fifty per cent. of the water furnished to the communities in the so-called metropolitan district is wasted, the metropolitan water and sewage commission in a special report to the legislature today said that the present extensive system of water supply would become inadequate within the next ten years. The average consumption of water in the district in 1903 was 107,148,000 gallons, a rate of 175 gallons per individual. The commission states that sixty gallons per head would have been sufficient and that the waste is due in a great degree to leakage in communities over which the commission has no control.

TAKE THE CUBAN LOAN.

HAVANA, Feb. 12.—Speyer & Co., of New York have contracted to take the $35,000,000 Cuban loan. The price to be paid for the bonds is 92, two per cent. above the minimum.

CAME FROM PITTSBURG.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—At the White Star office in this city, it was said today that the correct name of the man under arrest on a charge of having dynamite, is Ivan Iymbanovic, and his age is 30 years.

He booked at Pittsburg some days ago, buying a ticket through to Carlsbad.

The officials declare that they know nothing of the man.

The baggage of no passenger is examined so that they had no means of learning anything about him.

WIFE APPEARED

Marriage Did Not Take Place

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 12.—A young, well dressed woman in tears dramatically stopped the marriage of a man here, supposed to be Lawrence S. Sanborn and said to be a member of a wealthy family in Boston, to Miss Gelda Ohlson of Sweden. The couple, possessed of a marriage certificate made out in those names went before Judge Downing to be married, accompanied by witnesses. The ceremony was performed and all the signatures but that of the judge had been attached to the record when a handsome young woman who said she was Sanborn's wife, burst into the office. She declared she had a marriage certificate and if given time would prove to the court the force of her objections. Judge Downing said he would wait six hours and the bride, the alleged wife and the groom or husband went away together.

NAME NOT IN DIRECTORY.

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—The name of Lawrence S. Sanborn does not appear in the Boston directory.

OPERATIVES IDLE

Trouble Over the Prices for Weaving

DOVER, N. H., Feb. 12.—Differences between the Cocheco Manufacturing company, and the weavers of No. 5 cotton mill of the corporation regarding prices for weaving caused the shut down of that section of the big plant today. Two hundred operatives are idle.

The weavers in No. 5 mill, who had been working on fancy goods, were recently placed on plain fabrics, which they assert yielded them 17½ cents per cut instead of 25 cents for the former grade of cloth.

Charles H. Fish, agent of the company, states that the closing of the mill is not due to a strike. The market conditions are such, he says, that it has become unprofitable to weave fancy goods in No. 5 mill. To prevent many weavers being thrown out of work in midwinter he did not stop the looms at once as had been decided upon at one time, but put plain goods on the looms. The latter not being speeded as highly as those in the other mills, the weavers were not able to make as much as they did on fancy work.

When it was learned that the weavers wanted an advance of 33 per cent. an increase beyond the ability of the company to grant and that they did not desire to continue at the looms, Mr. Fish says he decided to close the mill indefinitely.

It is not known whether the other mills will be affected by the difficulty.

STREET RAILWAYS

MOVEMENT FOR MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP OF THEM.

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—A strong plea for municipal ownership of public service corporations, especially street railway companies, was made before the legislative committee on street railways today by Rep. Garst of Worcester, upon the ground that this generation had no right to give away that which belongs to the next. A number of witnesses whom Mr. Garst called explained to the committee the success of such ownership in Glasgow and Tunbridge Wells, where street railways are run by the municipalities. The measure was opposed by several of the corporation lawyers.

NO TROOPS YET

CABINET WILL NOT SEND ANY TO BALTIMORE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—At the cabinet meeting today, after a long consideration of the resolution adopted by the Maryland legislature calling for troops for duty in Baltimore, it was decided not to comply at this time with the request. Prior to the cabinet meeting, Brig. Gen. Biggs as a special messenger from Gov. Warfield formally presented to the president the resolution adopted by the legislature. He conveyed at the same time, Gov. Warfield's personal statement that the troops were not needed. This presented an analogous situation and the cabinet determined not to send troops at this time.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

PRESENTED TO AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Reports of officers and committees and addresses of state presidents occupied most of today's sessions of the national American woman suffrage association. At the morning session Henry B. Blackwell, chairman of the presidential committee reported that the attention of the state societies has been called to the fact that every state legislature may at any session, by a simple change in its election law, enable its women citizens to vote in the presidential election on the same terms as the male citizens or on any qualifications of education or property which it may see fit to prescribe.

During the year Australia has conferred the national suffrage on all the women of that continent and over 100,000 of them have just exercised their right for the first time. The committee reported that the near approach of the presidential election has increased the difficulty of securing affirmative action on the suffrage question here, but that during the fall that succeeds the presidential campaign next year, a special effort should be made. Mrs. Eleanora Babcock, chairman of the press committee, reported that the newspapers of the country have greatly aided the suffrage movement by publishing matter furnished them.

Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton, of Warren, Ohio, the treasurer, in her annual report announced that the association has a balance in the treasury of $11,860. During the year a bequest of $10,000 was received from Mrs. C. C. Hussey of New Jersey. The states ranking first in point of membership in the association are New York, Mass., Iowa, Nebraska and Pennsylvania. The afternoon session was devoted to reports or addresses of state presidents.

LOVE LETTERS

Figure in a Case in Court

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—A horse whipping in a music room on West street and the reading of tell-tale love letters were among the sensational incidents brought out by testimony in the continuation of the $25,000 cross action between Mrs. Mary E. Goldsmith and Miss Mary E. Cowles before Judge Sheldon in the superior court yesterday.

Mrs. Goldsmith's action is for alleged alienation of the affections of her husband, a wealthy liquor dealer, who died over six years ago. Miss Cowles' suit is for alleged malicious prosecution, or abuse of process, in bringing two suits against her after the death of Goldsmith, one for the recovery of a house on Chandler street and the other for the recovery of furniture, both of which were decided in favor of Miss Cowles.

Mrs. Goldsmith is an old lady, slight and tall, with a decided genteel appearance. She was neat and prim in her dress. Her hair is steel gray and carefully pressed into curls beneath her bonnet along her forehead.

Miss Cowles is a much younger woman, plump and healthy looking. She was dressed neatly in black.

HORSEWHIPPED IN BED.

Mrs. Goldsmith testified that having gone to the music parlor of Miss Cowles April 3, 1895, on West stret and finding her husband about to come out, she whipped Miss Cowles, who was in bed, with a whip she had brought for that purpose. The whip struck the bedclothes.

She had seen Dr. Mackay, the family physician, enter the building with her husband the night before, but did not know anyone was sick there until Dr. Mackay afterwards told her Miss Cowles was sick with a cold. She was accompanied by a detective named Myers, and her husband hit him.

She pulled some flowers from Miss Cowles' hat in the summer of 1895 on Clarendon street. She said she knew in that year her husband caused the house at 98 Chandler street to be given to Miss Cowles.

Mrs. Lucy J. Miller of Columbus avenue testified that Mr. Goldsmith hired a room of her for a mother and daughter and that on Oct. 26, 1893, she found Mr. Goldsmith in bed with Miss Cowles and ordered them out of the house.

T. W. Proctor, who appeared for Mrs. Goldsmith, read a batch of love letters dated from May 4, 1895, and continuing until the middle of September. They were written by Miss Cowles to Mr. Goldsmith. One dated May 27, read: "If I could snatch a few sweet kisses and give you a great big hug I should be very happy."

Mr. Nathaniel F. Glidden, a nephew of Mr. Goldsmith, testified that in the summer of 1893 he heard Mr. and Mrs. Goldsmith call each other, low, insulting names, and that when Mr. Goldsmith asked her how much she wanted for a divorce she replied $100,000. Further testimony from him and from William H. Goldsmith, brother of the deceased, was to the effect that Mr. and Mrs. Goldsmith had not been loving or affectionate to each other for 20 years.

Elmer R. Glidden, a nephew of Mr. Goldsmith, testified that his uncle had told him that he was jealous of the mutual affections of his wife and a man named Perry of Charlestown, that Mrs. Goldsmith had Perry's picture and that he once followed her and saw her get out of her carriage near Perry's office and that he had a revolver in his hand and wanted to shoot Perry.

CONLON ON HAND

Will Appear Before Appropriations Committee

The appropriations committee, having recovered from the effects of Wednesday night's hearing, will meet again this evening and Supt. Conlon will appear before them again with reports from the state inspector of boilers regarding the boilers in some of the schools.

In his estimate Supt. Conlon has asked a considerable amount of money for boilers, new ones being called for in some cases, and extensive repairs in others. Some of the committee were inclined to believe that these repairs were not all necessary. Their minds will be disclosed of that idea tonight, however, for the superintendent will show that in every case the repairs are insisted upon by the state inspector of boilers.

Supt. Conlon is the first of the superintendents to insist on all janitors remaining in their respective schools during sessions while there are fires in their furnaces. Heretofore the janitors were accustomed to leaving the buildings during the day, but Supt. Conlon changed the order of things to the satisfaction of teachers and parents.

A SUDDEN THAW

Will Play Havoc With Merrimack River

The temperature this morning took the stiffness out of the footing in the downtown streets and sleighing in the business section is miserable, while on the side streets and the outskirts it continues good.

Supt. Beals still keeps a large force of men at work despite the criticisms of Messrs. Manning, Stratton and others and at present the city men are levelling the piles along the sides of the streets so as to make sleighing safe and comfortable.

The Locks and Canals people are devoutly hoping for a gradual thaw when the thaw comes, for a sudden thaw would cause much trouble if not a freshet. It is said there are 6 inches of ice in the river in this vicinity, while snow and ice abound in the north country.

DEATHS

McQUADE—Mrs. Mary McQuade, aged 78 years, died this morning at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ellen T. Joyce, 22 Twelfth street.

The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon. Friends are requested not to send flowers.

HALEY—Andrew Haley, a well-known and highly respected resident of this city, passed away last night at his home, 100 Coburn street, at the age of 60 years. The deceased was born in Ireland, but when a young man came to this city and has resided here for the past 43 years. He was a devout and constant attendant at the Immaculate Conception church, having been a collector at that church since it was erected. He leaves to mourn his loss two daughters and one son, Margaret, Jane and James. He was one of the oldest employes of the Merrimack Manufacturing company, and for years resided in the Merrimack corporation.

LONGHOE—Grace Agnes Donohoe, aged four months, child of Frank and Catherine, died early this morning at the home of her parents, 44 Highland street.

DWYER—Ann Dwyer, aged 49 years, a devout attendant at St. Patrick's church, died yesterday at the St. Patrick's Working Girls' home in Cross street.

MEALEY—Frank E. Mealey, aged 60 years, died last night at the home of his son, 509 School street. Heart failure was the cause of death.

CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT

AKRON, O., Feb. 12.—Frank S. Newton, for over 20 years an employe of the Diamond Match company, has been arrested charged with the embezzlement of between $12,000 and $15,000. The alleged irregularities extend over six years.

RECEIVER APPOINTED.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12—Upon petition of a stockholder alleging "fraudulent mismanagement," Judge Kohlsaat, in the U. S. district court today appointed the Equitable Trust Co., receiver for the Model Gold Mining Co., a $100,000 corporation. The receivership follows closely the holding of Frank and John Jager to the federal grand jury. The two are respectively president and secretary of the company.

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DOUBLE STAMPS, Light Blue, all this week; 100 with Baking Powder; 40 with Tea and 20 with Coffee. Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The two o'clock and five o'clock editions of The Sun are on sale every day at both newsstands in the Union station, Boston.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 10, 1904. The Committee on Banks and Banking will give a hearing to parties interested in Senate bill No. 41, Report of Commission to revise laws relating to trust companies; also Senate bill No. 1, that part of the Governor's address relating to trust companies, at room No. 448, State House, on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. E. L. Osgood, Chairman. Daniel J. O'Brien, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 3, 1904. The Joint Committee on the Judiciary will give a hearing to parties interested in petition of Frank H. Bent (accompanying House bill No. 367) for legislation to correct an inequality now existing in the law relative to the appointment and employment of stenographers for the superior court; also (Senate bill No. 61) to prohibit unauthorized performances or representations of certain dramatic and musical compositions; also petition of Willard Hanson (accompanying House bill No. 405) for legislation relative to mechanics' liens; and petition of Edward O'Brien (House bill No. 401) for legislation to extend the time within which appeals may be taken in criminal cases, at room No. 257 State House, on Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. A. M. Taft, Chairman. Wm. A. Kelley, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 10, 1904. The Joint Committee on Judiciary will give a hearing to parties interested in petition of Henry H. Stedman and others (accompanied by Senate bill No. 53) for legislation to provide that prisoners alleged to be insane shall be removed to a state insane hospital; also petition of Thomas L. Davis (House bill No. 539) for legislation relative to recording mortgaged personal property; also petition of Wm. H. Cuve (House bill No. 543) for legislation to provide for further notice of sales under power of sale in mortgages of real estate; also petition of Prescott T. Hall (House bill No. 546) for legislation to define the time and manner of serving writs in trustee process in certain instances; and petition of John F. Fitzgerald (Senate bill No. 193) for legislation relative to the foreclosure of mortgages, at room No. 257, State House, on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. Wm. T. Dana, Chairman. Wm. A. Kelley, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 10, 1904. The Committee on Public Service will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition (with accompanying Senate bill No. 166) of William J. Rounds for legislation to regulate removals and suspensions from office and employment in the classified civil service; also petition (with accompanying House bill No. 380) of Frank W. Thayer and others for legislation to provide that persons employed by any county shall be residents of such county; also petition (with accompanying House bill No. 422) of Manassah E. Bradley for legislation to restrict or abolish the application of the civil service laws to laborers; also petition (with accompanying House bill No. 423) of Arthur L. Travis for legislation to provide that candidates for positions under the civil service regulations may be certified more than once; also a bill to establish the salaries of the members of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks (House, No. 502); also petition (with accompanying House bill No. 555) of John E. Miles for legislation relative to the membership, powers and duties of the Board of Railroad Commissioners; and petition (with accompanying House bill No. 570) of Joseph A. Parks for legislation relative to the membership of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration at room No. 428, State House, on Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. A. A. Brackett, Chairman. Frank P. Bennett, Jr., Clerk of the Committee.

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WANTED—Good tailor at P. T. Donelly's, 138 Gorham street.

WANTED—A young man, High school graduate preferred, for office work, etc., to be paid by a full course in shorthand. Call at 31 Hildreth building Saturday, 2 p. m.

WANTED—A housegirl at 16 Elliot St.

WANTED—Girl, one who understands meat cooking. Call 19 Hurd street.

WANTED—An experienced table girl at the New American house.

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WANTED Girl to do general housework at 16 Harding street.

WANTED—Salesmen, salary and commissions; large sales and big profits. Call the Arlington house, room 23, Lowell, 6 to 9 p. m.

WANTED—An experienced cook at the Quincy house, 53 Lee street.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—By an experienced man, a situation as boiler tender or janitor; understands steam. Inquire at 201 Middlesex street.

SITUATION WANTED—By all-round woman cook in restaurant, hotel, lunch room or boarding house. Inquire rear 317 Middlesex street.

WANTED—Work of any kind by a good, reliable man. Apply to John Varonas, 346 Suffolk street.

WANTED—Situation washing dishes or at light housework and minding a child or two. Apply at 12 Brown street.

WANTED—A situation by a middle-aged woman at light housework or would mind children able to attend school or would wash dishes in a hotel or restaurant. Inquire at 89 Crosby street.

NURSE—Capable, experienced, can be obtained at reasonable terms at 38 Jones avenue, Drum Centre.

WANTED—A situation as housekeeper by a neat, capable, experienced American, where strict attention will be appreciated. Address J. R. W., care Macine Co., Lowell, Mass.

WANTED—Situation by lady to do light housework; does not object to children. Call 18 Branch street.

WANTED

WANTED—To buy a fox terrier male pup about seven months old, tan and white, housebroken; liberal price for same. F. J. Warburton, 75 Liberty street, corner Barclay.

YOUNG GENTLEMAN—With business in Boston desires room and board with private family near Middlesex street station; state terms, which must be moderate. J. P. Sun office.

WANTED—One or two children to board. 457 Lakeview avenue.

WANTED—Dress making and all kinds sewing by the day. Address J. C., Sun office.

WANTED—Dress making, children's clothing a specialty. Apply Mrs. J. M. Brown, 257 Appleton street, Lowell.

WANTED—For cash, a place 5 to 20 acres close to a city and electrics. Call or write to the Arlington house, Lowell. Mr. Dalton. Call 6 to 9 p. m.

WANTED—Children to board in the country; terms reasonable. Address box 103, Billerica.

IF YOU WANT a cord or more of dry hard wood for $6, telephone to P. Cogger, truckman, 438 Riverside street.

WANTED—Donations of second-hand clothing for men, women and children for destitute families in our city. Please send bundles or card to Mattie A. Towne, War Cry Sergeant, Salvation Army, Appleton street, Bancroft block, room 12, Lowell.

TO LET

TO LET—Furnished front rooms for small families or two men together. 20 John street.

NEWLY furnished rooms and table board under new management. 63 George street, corner Tyler.

TO LET—Corner School and Lawson street, a pleasant up-stairs 7-room tenement; rent $11 a month. Apply to A. G. Titus, 448 Stevens street.

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TO LET—A 5-room tenement, newly renovated; 12 Rogers street; rent low. Apply at M. Wyman's, 62 Middlesex St.

TO LET—Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping, with gas, heat and bath. Apply Weston house, 209 Appleton street.

TO RENT—A lovely four room tenement, good location. $8.00. G. P. Walker, 954 Middlesex street.

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TO LET—Queen street, three rooms, $7; Concord street, five rooms, $8; Centralville, five rooms, $7.50; two rooms, $4.50; other tenements and stores to rent. T. H. Elliott, 64 Central street.

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376 BRIDGE STREET. White Sewing Machine Co.—Ladies before buying try our automatic drop machine; we have several other makes; you are sure to get suited; give us a call.

$350 PIANO for sale at a bargain, as party is leaving city. Call at 18 Summer street between 2 and 4 and 7 and 9 p. m.

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FOR SALE—Cheap, a good double travers runner sleigh. Inquire at 25 Cross street.

FOR SALE—Fine double sleigh, built to order, nearly new; owner having no further use for it will sell cheap. Inquire at Sun office.

FOR SALE—To mend your stove bricks use Eagle Stove Clay. Hardware and stove dealers sell it in three size packages.

GERMAN ELECTRIC BELT—Relieves rheumatic pains of back and limbs at once; easily adjusted; price $3. F. H. Saunders, agent, 119 Middlesex street.

FOR SALE—Horse and team, value $300, may be had for $175; private family preferred. Apply Sun office.

FOR SALE—A variety store situated in a good business neighborhood, established trade of seven years; an exceptionally fine place for one who dressmakes; poor health of owner reason for selling. For all particulars, terms, etc., inquire of E. R. Donovan, room 1, Swan block, 20 Central street. It may be your opportunity.

RUBBER STAMPS at wholesale prices; 1-in. one line stamps 35c; 1¼ in., 30c; 35c ink pads, 25c; 25c ink pads, 15c; 50c linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 15c per line. J. M. Fellows, 168 Merrimack St.

MISCELLANEOUS

SALVATION ARMY HALL, 33 Shattuck St.—A rummage sale will be held every Saturday. Open from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m., commencing Feb. 20, 1904. Cast-off clothing, old furniture, etc., for this purpose will be accepted. Address post card to Salvation Army, 50 Chestnut street.

MISS UPHAM, clairvoyant and card reader; cards cend 25c. 81 Merrimack St., corner John.

GLORIA is the greatest family beverage; gives weekly, nervous women vigor and health. Boyle Bros., agents. Tel.

MADAM LENOIE—Clairvoyant card reader; also gifted with drawing power. 71 Tyler street.

MRS. FLETCHER, 769 Gorham street, trance medium and card reader.

MME. WATSON EMERSON—Clairvoyant and psychological readings at 474 Central street, also instruction in elocution and physical culture.

WOOD GIVEN AWAY—2¼ miles out. Apply to depot master, Wamesit station. Must be cut and taken away at once.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, cheap, from the Merrimack woolen mills. Corner store, Lakeview avenue and Pleasant street, Navy Yard.

HORSEMEN ATTENTION—We are now prepared to shoe your horses in the most satisfactory and scientific manner, especially horses lamed by incorrect shoeing, at the reasonable low price of 4 new shoes for $1.00; we also keep in stock a line of hand-made shoes turned by L. J. Pattee, at the Fair Grounds shoeing forge, 1054 Gorham street, Lowell, Mass.

PIANO OR ORGAN LESSONS at your home; special pains taken with children or advanced pupils; will accompany any instrument for entertainments; years of experience. Mabel Randall, Chelmsford Centre.

STOVES—New and second-hand, bought, sold and exchanged. Reliable Furniture Co., 105 Middlesex street.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 1128 Bridge street. Telephone.

MUSIC—German zither music furnished at reasonable rates for concerts, dinner parties, church entertainments and home socials. John C. Hansen, Bon Marche studio.

IF YOU WANT your mattresses made over at your home, call at 946 Central St.

BUY YOUR HAT at Delorme's, where you can have it cleaned free of charge for one year. Repairing a specialty. 261 Middlesex street.

SAVE MONEY by buying your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Baker & Co.'s, 180 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; also furniture moving done in a careful manner; always big bargains at our store. McGauvran Bros., Merrimack St., opp. City Hall.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination; used by 200,000 women; price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—In Prescott hall or coming from there, Monday night, lady's breast pin, Japanese head, with several pearls and gold band underneath. Return to 245 Gorham street.

LOST—Between Dutton street (front row) and Armory, lady's black silk bag with brass clasp; contained Russia leather pocketbook with sum of money and gold and steel rimmed glasses. Finder will be rewarded by returning to Joseph E. Patten, city messenger, City hall.

LOST—Feb. 10, Boston terrier pup, brindle, with white breast, white streak on face. Finder please return to 69 Sutherland street. Reward.

LOST—Bull dog, white neck, breast and face. Reward for return to 10 Alder St.

FOUND—Lady's pocketbook containing sum of money and other trinkets. Owner may have by paying for adv. and proving claim at Sun office.

FOUND A sum of money. Owner can have by proving property. Inquire of J. D. McCarthy, janitor O'Donnell & Gilbride company.

LOST—Sum of money Tuesday afternoon on Gorham street, near East Chelmsford. Reward for return to Sun.

LOST—Monday, Boston trip book. Reward at 380 Merrimack street.

FOUND—Sum of money. Owner may have by proving ownership and paying for adv. G. W. Coon, 200 Appleton street, after 7 p. m.

LOST—Fox terrier pup, white, with brown ears, name and address on collar. Finder will please return to 332 Lincoln street. Reward.

LOST—Monday afternoon between Chalifoux's store and Middle street entrance to Middlesex club, a pair of eyeglasses in case. Finder rewarded at Sun office.

MONEY TO LOAN

PAWNBROKER—Money to loan; money loaned on all valuable articles, clothing; rates reasonable. A. Stein, 343 Middlesex street, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security. Boarding houses, retail merchants and salaried people; easy payments; lowest rates in the city. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters, boarding houses, without security; easy payments; largest business in 42 principal cities. Tolman, room 26, Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leighas, room 9, Barristers hall.

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590** A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

The sworn daily average circulation for the month of January, 1904, was **15,432**

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

Not only has Secretary Hay incurred the displeasure of Russia by his proposition to hamper her action and compel her to relinquish her hold upon Manchuria, but he has aroused the opposition of France, one of the best friends this country ever had, and for what?

It would pay the legislative committee having the matter in hand to come to Lowell to ascertain public sentiment upon the matters under consideration, notably the police board and the appropriation for the Textile school. The fact that the hearing before the appropriation committee was a failure should not prejudice any committee in giving a public hearing here to find what the citizens want.

THE ESCAPE AT STATE PRISON.

Warden Bridges will have to be more circumspect in order to prevent prisoners from escaping. He stepped aside while the barber prisoner found an open door inviting him to make a dash for liberty. He did just as ninety out of every hundred would have done and the story that he had a confederate outside is all moonshine.

RUSSIA'S FLEET OF LITTLE USE.

In this war Russia fights at an immense disadvantage in being so far from the base of supplies. Besides she cannot send a battleship to Port Arthur or Vladivostock without running the gauntlet of the whole Japanese fleet. This war may prove as difficult to Russia as was the Boer war to England, but far more disastrous in the end. England succeeded in taking the two republics of South Africa, but at a terrible loss of men and money It is plain that Russia's fleet is not to be compared with that of Japan in fighting qualities. The Japanese are skilled warriors, quick and brave in action. They will probably show the same qualities in their engagements on land.

THAT APPROPRIATIONS HEARING.

The hearing held at city hall Wednesday night by the committee on appropriations for the purpose of giving the citizens an opportunity to be heard was an utter disappointment. Nothing of importance was brought out. The chief commodity was hot air and of that there was an excess. With the exception of Judge Pickman's statement in regard to the work of the park commission there was nothing new, nothing that would enlighten the committee in the work of using the pruning knife on the department estimates. The committee will therefore have to fall back upon its own good sense and judgment as to what should be done to establish economy and yet make a fair allowance for the necessities in each case.

What is needed is department heads who will make a good showing with the money expended. The committee may do its duty faithfully but it cannot prevent mismanagement and waste of money by lack of system, grafting and other causes known to the politicians.

IF LOWELL BURNED DOWN

If Lowell were burning up how long would it take to get help from Lawrence, Nashua or Boston? Such contingencies are to be provided for by our fire department. We are not more secure or better protected than was the city of Baltimore, the main portion of which is now in ashes.

The chief fault found with the fire department of Baltimore is that it fought the fire from the rear, until clearer heads or braver men arrived from Philadelphia. The destruction of a city in such a manner is hard to understand at this distance; but if a high westerly wind prevailed on the night of the O'Donnell & Gilbride fire the flames might have destroyed the whole of Merrimack street down as far as Merrimack square or beyond. With a high wind when St. Patrick's church was burned brands might have been carried as much as a quarter of a mile and thence to other buildings so that there is no telling what destruction may result even from a small fire if the wind be high and the locality what is known as dangerous for fires.

It will do no harm then to figure on such unfavorable circumstances and plan for the quickest and best possible way of mastering the flames.

If Lowell burned down what would the people do? That is perhaps a vain speculation but strange to say, some of the newspapers are already beginning to hint that the great Baltimore fire was a blessing in disguise and that the city will rise phoenix like from the ashes of its former self. Nevertheless we do not care for blessings that come in such a terrible form.

IS LIFE HELD TOO CHEAP?

In some quarters there is an opinion that life is held too cheap in cases of death by railroad accident when the limit that can be sued for is $5000.

In many other states there is no such limit and an effort is being made here to raise the limit from $5000 to $25,000.

The bill before the legislature not only proposes to amend the present law but to add additional provisions, one of which is that if a corporation railroad or street railway through negligence or unfitness or negligence of its agents causes the death of an employe it shall be punished by a fine not less than $500 and not more than $25,000, the same to be recovered by an indictment prosecuted within one year after the time of the injury which caused the death, and shall be paid to the executor or administrator of the person so killed, one half to the use of the widow if there is one, and the other half to the children, otherwise the whole to the next of kin.

Another provision is that if an employe of a railroad corporation while in the exercise of due care is killed under circumstances that would have entitled him to maintain an action for damages if death had not resulted, the corporation shall be liable in the same manner and to the same extent as if the deceased had not been an employe.

This bill will be stubbornly fought by corporation interests in the legislature, but one thing is certain, that if it becomes law it will have the effect of making railroad corporations more careful. The number of people killed in railroad accidents last year in this country is about fifty times as great as it might be if proper care were exercised.

Under such circumstances it will do no harm to make the laws governing claims for damages in accident cases more strict than they are at present.

Experience has shown that it is out of the question to seek the indictment of corporation officials on the charge of criminal negligence no matter how culpable they may be. They are always exonerated. The only way to punish them therefore, is by increasing the damages in accidents due to carelessness or mismanagement.

WANTS A CHANGE

In the Style of Racing Boats

NEW YORK, Feb. 12—A letter from Sir Thomas Lipton has been received by the officials of the New York Yacht club with reference to a fourth challenge for the America's cup. This fact was brought out at the annual meeting of the club last night, although the presiding officer declined to say whether the letter was a formal challenge or the preliminary challenge. It was the general opinion of the members that Sir Thomas had signified his desire to issue a challenge, but was anxious that yachts of some other type should wage the battle.

The letter was referred to a committee of five, which will be appointed later by the chairman. They will corespond with Sir Thomas and when matters have been arranged satisfactorily the correspondence will be given out.

VALENTINE PARTY

AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH LAST NIGHT.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the First Baptist church gave a valentine supper and entertainment last evening in the vestries. The decorations, which were in charge of Mr. Swanton's class, Miss Florence Flemings chairman, were very elaborate and artistic. Long streamers of white cloth decorated with large red hearts, and streamers of red cloth with white hearts were festooned about the assembly room, and a very fancifully trimmed postoffice occupied a corner where St. Valentine's missives were received and despatched. The Misses Mildred and Charlotte Meader were managers, and little Donna Bowen, Mildred French and Helen Eveleth dressed in white and with wings on their shoulders to hasten the delivery of the mails, served as the cupid postmen. Miss Bertha Taylor in the garb of the fortune teller, prognosticated the future of all who cared to have it revealed. Mrs. Larkin Trull had charge of the supper which was served from 6 to 8 o'clock, when a short but interesting literary program was furnished by Mrs. W. H. Pepin.

Dr. Ford gave a brief history of St. Valentine, Mrs. James Flemings played several piano selections and was the accompanist for Harry Hopkins, who rendered a tenor solo with excellent effect. Miss Mildred French delighted the audience by her recitations in costume. The young people played games till nearly 10 o'clock.

DOG SHOW

MANY VALUABLE CANINES ON EXHIBITION.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—J. Pierpont Morgan was again successful with his collection of collies at the dog show in Madison Square Garden yesterday. In the classes for dogs, his recent English importation Wishaw Clinker carried the field, while Clinker's kennel companion, Ormeskirk Olympian, also English bred, took second.

Mr. Morgan led the field with bitches with his recent purchase, champion Moreton Hebe.

In all English Sheep dogs, Messrs. Charles Frohman and Dillingham's Bouncing Lass proved the heroine.

Theodore Offerman's Floriform won all before it in Airedale terriers.

Foxhall Keene took first and second in the limit dog class with Wakefield Briar and West Ho.

Princeton Monarch beat all his younger rivals, including Noross Carrots, the winner at the ladies' show. Frank Doles' Marguerite of Navarre was crowned queen in the classes for the opposite sex, while the same owner's home bred puppy Edgewood Elizabeth finished second in the winner's class after having blue ribbons showered on her in several classes.

SOCIAL AND DANCE

UNDER AUSPICES OF TWILIGHT SOCIAL CLUB.

Lowell colored society was out in force last night at Highland hall, the occasion being a social party and dance of the Twilight Social club. Among the large attendance were many colored guests from Lawrence, Andover, Groton, Boston and Fitchburg. Many of "de white folks" graced the terpsichorean function with their presence and mixed in the mazy whirl with their Ethiopian friends in a hearty and joyous manner.

Among the "culled" sisters present were noticed the following: Miss Emma Buller, Miss Stella Payne, Mrs. Lewis Anderson, Mrs. Wentworth, Miss Lizzie Webster, Misses Sadie Anderson, Alice Spellman, Miss Irene Webster, Mrs. Marsh, Miss Ida Marsh, Mrs. Mathews, Miss Caldwell, Miss Williams, Miss Maker, Mrs. Bessie Dupont, Miss Raynes, Miss Ethel Buller and Miss Lucy Raymond. Music was furnished by Atwood's orchestra.

The affair proved a grand social and financial success due to the following efficient committee of arrangements: General manager, Daniel Chaggett; assistant general manager, John E. Jackson; floor director, William Williamson; assistant floor director, Jewell Marsh; chief aid, E. H. Fountaine; aids, Charles C. Collins, Fred Low, William Thomas, William Webster, James Scott, Charles Faulcon, William Low, Joe Faulcon, John Low, William Hazard.

ANNUAL MEETING

OF UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—One hundred delegates representing the 277 clubs composing the association were present at the annual meeting of the United States Golf association at Delmonico's last night. Officers were elected with G. Herbert Windeler, Country club, Brookline, Mass., president; W. Fellows Morgan, secretary.

It was voted to hold the amateur championships at the Baltusrol club grounds, Short Hills, N. J., during the week beginning Sept. 5.

The women's championship tournament will be held on the links of the Merion Cricket club, Philadelphia, but the date was not settled.

The Glenn Golf club of Chicago was the only applicant for the open championships and its links were selected. The dates of these tournments were left open.

FAMILIES FLED.

PORT DEPOSIT, Md., Feb. 12.—The Susquehanna river is 10 feet out of its banks last night and hundreds of families have fled from their inundated homes. A large number of business houses are under water. Thus far no lives have been lost, nor livestock carried away.

PUTNAM & SON CO.

166 CENTRAL STREET

Our Mark Down Sale of Fine Clothing

has been a splendid success. The most decisive bargains are offered today—for we've kept lots at popular prices filled from higher cost goods.

The Overcoat Sale Embraces the Following:

Fine Overcoats from, Rogers, Peet & Co.

and they make the finest ready-made in the world. A few were $25, the others $20. Most every coat has deep silk shoulders and fine worsted lining. Among these, several large sizes, 44 to 46 breast measure; with these, a lot of our own make overcoats that were $20—all three lots today . . **$15**

Fine Oxford Melton Overcoats

of our own make. A coat of which we have sold so many that it is justly famous. We believe these coats to be the greatest value ever offered at $15. The fabric is of very fine quality; the linings of expensive Princess serge, the sleeve linings of best quality satin; the tailoring of the highest class—all today . . **$11.50**

$10 for Men's Overcoats in Regular Cut

made from high-grade cheviot faced overcoatings and fine qualities of frieze. All trimmed with fine Princess serge, or with plaid linings and satin shoulders. Nearly all of these coats have been $15, today for **$10**

Men's All Wool Overcoats, $5.00

Twenty excellent overcoats of all wool oxford and black frieze and black kerseys. Overcoats that have sold for $12, $10 and $8. All today gathered into one lot and marked . . **$5.00**

These Are Men's and Young Men's Suits

The Best Suits from Rogers, Peet & Co.

every high cost suit in the stock, made from imported cheviots and finest worsteds. The very cream of our collection and embracing fabrics that are used exclusively by merchant tailors. These suits have sold for $30, $28 and $25. All marked today . : **$20**

More Fine Suits from Rogers, Peet & Co.

of choice fancy cheviots and worsted cheviots. Every suit of this season's make, stylish and elegant. These in single and double breast coats, have sold for $23, $22 and $20. Your choice today—and it is a wonderful chance to get a good business suit for **$15**

Other Fine Fancy Cheviot Suits

of our own make—in single and double breast coats—including the remainders of the best selling suits in our stock. Every suit new, stylish and splendidly tailored, have sold for $18 and $15, marked today **$10**

Young Men's Suits, $6.00

A small lot, single and double breast sack, of all wool fancy cheviot, fancy worsted and plain black Thibet, sizes 32 to 35 breast; a clearing up of small lines that sold up to $10 and $12, all now marked **$6**

Young Men's Suits, $3.75

Remainders in sizes 31 to 34 breast, and will fit large boys 14 to 17 years of age who wear long trousers. All wool fancy cheviots and plain black suits that sold for $6 and $8. Only one or two suits of a kind. All now **$3.75**

Here are Some Stunning Bargains for Boys

A Lot of Suits $1.50,

for small boys 4 years to 7, pretty Norfolk suits and Vestees, all at a new price. These have sold for $3.50 and $4. All today . . . **$1.50**

Norfolk Suits $2.50

in sizes 8 years to 15. All wool fancy cheviot and plain blue cheviot suits, sold for $3.75 and $4. The lot marked . . **$2.50**

Norfolk Suits $5

embracing every fine Norfolk suit that sold for $7, $8 and $9. Stunning cheviots and plain blue—made with plain or Knickerbocker trousers, sizes 8 to 16 years, all **$5.00**

$1.50 for Boys' Overcoats

Sizes 4 years to 9. Made with half belt in the back, of nice heavy dark melton; full double breasted; silk embroidered emblems on the sleeves. Instead of $2.50, now **$1.50**

$3.00 for Large Boys' Overcoats

Sizes 8 years to 16. The new, smart, long cut, overcoats, made from dark oxford and olive meltons, nicely trimmed and well made. The best values we have ever offered for **$3.00**

200 Pairs of Boys' Short Trousers

made from heavy blue cheviot, with patent bands and rivet suspender buttons. Sizes 4 years to 14, for **25c a Pair**

1000 Pairs of the Best Knee Trousers Ever shown for 50c.

These knee trousers are wonders; made from attractive patterns of heavy fancy cheviots and excellent corduroy. Every pair has double stitched taped seams and is warranted not to rip. All of the suspender buttons and fly buttons are riveted on, and can't come off. Sizes are from 4 years to 16, and they're cut good, full, plump sizes, large and roomy through the hips, and with plenty of leg room. The best goods and the most serviceable that we've ever seen for **50 Cents**

A Wonderful Sale of Men's and Boys' Neglige Shirts

100 Dozens of Men's Spring Patterns of Neglige Shirts, and Laundered Bosom Business Shirts,

in light and dark grounds, small figures and stripes—every shirt cut a full yard in length, finely made with flat seams and gussets. A separate pair of link cuffs with about every shirt—as cloth is today these shirts are worth 75c. We offer this lot, sizes 14 to 17, **35c Each; 3 Shirts for $1.00**

30 Dozens of Boys' Neglige and Laundered Bosom Shirts,

sizes 12 to 14. All handsome and attractive spring patterns, made in the same thorough way as the men's shirts, and of good, generous sizes. Two collars and a pair of separate cuffs with the neglige shirts, and a pair of separate cuffs with the laundered bosoms. You will never match these for 50 cents. While the lot lasts our price is

35c Each; 3 Shirts for $1.00

BY TWO POINTS

Lowell Was Defeated in Haverhill

CROWD GOT AFTER THE REFEREE

Doyle Tossed the Winning Basket

HAVERHILL, Feb. 12.—Haverhill defeated Lowell last evening in an overtime period, Doyle scoring a beautiful goal from the side of the hall. The game was closely fought after the first period, when Lowell took a big lead. With only a minute to play, Lowell led by three points, but a goal by Wachter and a foul by Matthews gave the locals three points. The work of Horan was the feature of the game. Referee Tierney gave a decision which angered the Haverhill crowd and they started right in to make things uncomfortable for the official. With the score 23 to 19 in favor of Lowell, Tigue of the visiting team made a pretty throw that would have landed squarely in the basket but for the fact that some of the bleacherites shook the fence and consequently prevented the ball from going into the basket. For this interference the referee allowed the basket to be scored and there was war at once. The crowd wanted to do all kinds of things to Tierney but the latter stood his ground bravely and in spite of the cat calls went through the game with coolness. Lowell started off like a sure winner and before the fans had hardly realized that a game was on the Lowell men had six points to their credit. At the close of the period they were in the lead by seven points. In the next two periods Haverhill braced up and for a time it was see-saw. With only a minute to play Lowell was in the lead by three points but Wachter tossed a basket and Haverhill got a point on fouls and the score was even. The wildest kind of excitement reigned in the hall at this time and the ten players went in for an extra period. After a few minutes Doyle made a fancy shot and Haverhill had the game by a score of 29 to 26.

HAVERHILL.	LOWELL.
Harrington rf	lg Tigue
Kelliher (Watcher) lf	rb Abbott
Doyle c	c Kane
Lew rb	lf Allard
Horan lb	rf Mathews

FIRST PERIOD.

Goal, Lowell, Allard ..... 2—0
Goal, Lowell, Mathews ..... 4—0
Goal, Lowell, Kane ..... 6—0
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 6—2
Goal, Lowell, Kane ..... 8—2
Third foul, Lowell, Allard ..... 8—3
Third foul, Haverhill, Doyle ..... 9—3
Third foul, Lowell, Allard ..... 9—4
Goal, Lowell, Mathews ..... 11—4

SECOND PERIOD.

Third foul, Haverhill, Kelleher ..... 12—4
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 12—6
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 12—8
Goal, Lowell, Mathews ..... 14—8
Third foul, Lowell, Tigue ..... 14—9
Goal, Haverhill, Lew ..... 14—11
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 14—13
Third foul, Lowell, Allard ..... 14—14
Goal, Lowell, Allard ..... 16—14
Goal, Lowell, Tigue ..... 18—14
Goal, Haverhill, Horan ..... 18—16
Third foul, Lowell, Kane ..... 18—17

THIRD PERIOD.

Third foul, Lowell, Kane ..... 18—18
Third foul, Haverhill, Wachter ..... 19—18
Goal, Lowell, Allard ..... 21—18
Third foul, Lowell, Abbott ..... 21—19
Goal, Lowell, Tigue ..... 23—19
Third foul, Lowell, Tigue ..... 23—20
Third foul, Haverhill, Wachter ..... 24—20
Third foul, Lowell, Mathews ..... 24—21
Goal, Lowell, Kane ..... 26—21
Goal, Haverhill, Lew ..... 26—23
Goal, Haverhill, Wachter ..... 26—25
Third foul, Lowell, Mathews ..... 26—26

OVERTIME PERIOD.

Goal, Haverhill, Doyle ..... 26—29

Score, Haverhill 26, Lowell 26. Goals from the floor, Horan 5, Lew 2, Wachter, Doyle, Kane 3, Mathews 3, Allard 8, Tigue 2. Points on fouls, Haverhill 10, Lowell 4. Fouls committed, Wachter 5, Doyle 4, Harrington 2, Horan 2, Kelliher, Mathews 9, Allard 6, Abbott 6, Kane 5, Tigue 6. Referees, J. Tierney of Lowell. Timekeepers, Connie Driscoll for Haverhill, James Gray for Lowell. Attendance, 700.

LOWELL Y. M. C. A. LOST.

BOSTON, Feb. 12—The Y. M. C. A. first team defeated the Lowell Y. M. C. A. 20 to 15 in a fast contest last evening. The first period ended 10 to 9 in favor of the home team. The playing in the second period was spirited, with the local men excelling in team play.

The summary:

BOSTON.	LOWELL.
Needham rf	lb Gray
Smith lf	rb Myrick
Williams c	c Wilson
Seymour rb	lf Pierson
Alcott lb	rf Johnson

Score, Boston 20, Lowell 12. Goals from floor, Needham 2, Smith 2, Williams 2, Seymour 2, Alcott 2, Johnson 3, Myrick, Wilson, Pierson. Goal from foul, Pierson. Referee, Briggs. Scorer, Vining. Timer, Merrill. Time, 20m. periods. Attendance, 300.

BASKETBALL NOTES.

Hot one, wasn't it?

Natick tonight in Huntington hall with Charlie Martens in the lineup.

Getzinger will play center for Lowell tonight, having wired Manager Gray that he would be on hand to play as terms were satisfactory. The Lowell lineup will be Matthews and Kane, Getzinger, Tigue and Abbott. Allard and Holleron will be ready to jump in if any one is injured.

Lowell will play in Hudson Monday night.

Toby got in his usual three goals last night. You can't beat the tall lad.

The Lowell High school team will have for opponents the strong Melrose High school team at the annex next Wednesday afternoon. The Melrose boys have suffered defeat only twice in two years, and have the distinction of defeating the fastest school teams in the state. Last year they administered a sound drubbing to the local High school boys, but they will find this year's team a hard nut to crack.

DANCING PARTY

UNDER AUSPICES OF STATIONARY FIREMEN.

A dancing party was held in Machinists hall in Central street last night under the auspices of the International Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen, and there was a large attendance. The music for dancing was furnished by McElroy's orchestra.

The officers in charge of the affair were as follows:

Hugh J. Gallagher, general manager; Don McMahon, assistant; Michael Ready, floor director; James Rogers, assistant; aids, J. L. Rogers, Thomas Kelly, D. McMullen, John Walton, John Scollans; reception committee, Dominick Meehan, William Liddle, Oscar Brown, John Coldman, John McGuinness, William Green, P. Brady; general committee, H. J. Gallagher, chairman; John Walton; secretary-treasurer, John Rogers, James Ashe.

REWARD OFFERED

FOR CAPTURE OF ESCAPED CONVICT.

BOSTON, Feb. 12—Warden Benjamin F. Bridges has offered a reward of $100 for the capture of Edward Waters, the convict who escaped from the state prison Wednesday night. Up to midnight last night the officials had discovered no clue to his whereabouts.

FOR TWO YEARS

Ex-Chief Oakes Sent to Jail

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—Edward H. Oakes who on Saturday night laid down the badge of office as chief of police of Revere, last night slept in a cell of the Salem house of correction as a convicted criminal. He was yesterday afternoon sentenced to two years for forgery.

Oakes was tried last week in the superior criminal court in Salem, and a verdict of guilty was returned Monday morning. The charge was forgery, uttering a note for $900 by selling it to Michael R. Connolly of Lynn, knowing an indorsement on it was forged.

The facts as developed at the trial were that Oakes was interested in a cigar store on Washington street, Boston, in 1901. He negotiated to sell it to A. W. Gore, Jr., and a man named Somerville. Gore one day, before Oakes, made out a note for $900 to pay for the store. He asked Oakes whose name he should put on it as indorser, and Oakes replied "Your father's," and Gore wrote the name of his father, a wealthy Cambridge man. This note Oakes sold to Connolly, giving $50 discount.

The evidence was contradictory. Young Gore, who is at Deer Island for his part in the affair, testified that his own evidence in court in Boston was false. Other witnesses testified to talking with persons who took the stand and denied having ever seen them.

J. H. Sisk, counsel for Oakes, moved for a new trial, claiming that the verdict was against the evidence, and he made another motion on the ground of newly discovered evidence that a government witness was bribed to testify falsely. Both motions were overruled. A motion for stay of sentence, pending exceptions, was also denied. Judge Lawton said that he would pass on the exceptions Saturday, and if they justified it, he would authorize a stay of sentence.

When the sentence was read to him Oakes appeared calm. Handcuffed to Deputy Sheriff Bishop, he was led to a hack and driven to the house of correction. Quite a crowd gathered to see him come out, and he seemed completely crestfallen and avoided their gaze.

The one topic of conversation in public places, and in private places, also, in Revere, last evening, was the sentence of Oakes.

AMERICAN GIRL

THE BRIDE OF BOSTON CHINAMAN.

PROVIDENCE, Feb. 12.—Wong Toy of Boston visited this city yesterday and was married to Miss Annie Gertrude Louise Morrison, also of Boston. The groom said he was 23 and the "Mellican girl" bride declared she was two years his junior. It was the first Chinese wedding party from Boston to be accompanied by a white man and woman as witnesses. They were married by parson Plumber.

FORTUNE TELLERS

WILL BE DRIVEN FROM NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Police Commissioner McAdoo announced yesterday his intention to begin a warfare against so-called "fortune tellers," assigning two plain clothes officers to visit impostors of this class and order them from the city. The fakirs working among the poor on the lower East side will be first attacked, after which those consulted by the wealthy and socially prominent will be investigated.

SCHUBERT MALE QUARTET.

Speaking of the Schubert Male quartet of Boston, which apears in Y. M. C. A. Star Course at First Congregational church, Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock, the Fitchburg Morning Sun says: "Last in the Y. M. C. A. course of entertainments proved to be the most enjoyable of all. Lovers of music had a rare treat when the Schubert Male quartet appeared; they were accorded enthusiastic encores. Introduced new features never heard here before, both refreshing and novel. It was without doubt the best entertainment of the course."

The quartet will be assisted by Elvie Burnett, one of Boston's most talented readers, who has won unstinted praise for her artistic performances. Plan opens at Y. M. C. A. Tuesday morning.

JOLLY LEAP YEAR PARTY.

The Centralville Jolly club held a successful leap year party last evening in Centralville Odd Fellows' hall. Music was furnished by the Imeprial orchestra, A. B. Sunbury leader. Previous to a dance order of 20 numbers the orchestra gave the following concert program: March, "The Billboard," Klorr; "The Chinese Honeymoon," Hoffman; Intermezzo, "The Jolly Club," dedicated to the Centralville Jolly club by the author, Werner. A. F. Adams was general manager, H. J. Rocar floor director; aids, H. J. Roberts, F. J. Conroy and Paul Gott.

CHEAPEST OF ALL.

Of all the forms of advertising, the cheapest and best is advertising in the daily newspapers. The cheapest newspapers are those with the largest circulation in their respective fields . . . . Handbills are wasteful, expensive and of little effect. Posters are played out, because they are costly and very uncertain in durability or effect. Signboards are expensive and short lived. The Daily Newspaper is the safest, surest and cheapest of all, and the best of the local papers is The Sun, because it has the largest circulation in Lowell.

LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER

SEWING BEE

HELD AT GRACE UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.

An old-fashioned sewing bee was held at Grace church yesterday afternoon and evening and it was an immense success. The parishioners were out en masse and many of them were accompanied by their friends.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the dames and mesdames of the church commenced quilting, continuing until 6.30 when supper was served. At this feature the male members of the parish also attended and they were served with an appetizing supper, prepared by the good housewives of the church.

Supper was concluded at 8 o'clock and then everyone sat down and enjoyed a first-class entertainment given by the Misses Hard and Flemings and Roland Black and Sidney Barton. Both young ladies were very entertaining and the gentlemen also showed their ability to entertain in a most pleasing manner.

Several tables found many ready purchasers. Mrs. W. R. Kew had charge of arrangements.

NASHUA BRIDE

BUT LOWELL GROOM, AND NASHUA LOSES A POPULAR LADY.

Miss Sarah McBride of this city and Thomas Francis Hennessey of Lowell were united in marriage at the Church of the Immaculate Conception yesterday. The bride was gowned in light gray trimmed with pink and carried a bouquet of bride roses. The bridemaid was Miss Margaret McBride, sister of the bride, and Joseph Shaunnessey of Lowell was best man. Rev. E. E. Buckle officiated and Mr. and Mrs. Hennessey held a reception at the bride's home. They left at noon, with the best wishes of a host of friends, on their bridal tour.—Nashua Press.

NORTHERN SECURITIES

CONSIDERED TO BE MOST IMPORTANT.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12—The case against the Northern Securities company is the only one of the actions against combines which has been considered by the attorney general to be of such "general public importance" as to entitle it to procedure over other litigations. This statement was made to the house yesterday in a speech by acting Attorney General W. A. Day in response to a resolution of inquiry as to the present status of the various pending suits against the combines. In giving this status Mr. Day takes up the case of the Northern Securities company first, saying the petition was filed March 10, 1902, and the case is now pending on appeal in the supreme court of the United States at Washington.

After giving the status of different cases the report says:

"I inadvertently omitted from my report of Jan. 13, 1904, the case of the interstate commerce commission vs. the Chesapeake & Ohio and New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad companies, pending in the United States circuit court for the western district of Virginia at Lynchburg. This was a petition in equity filed July 13, 1903, for the purpose of enjoining the defendants companies from violating the act to regulate commerce which prohibits interstate carriers from making unjust discriminations or giving undue preferences in rates. The government contended that the law was being violated in that a coal company controlled by the Chesapeake & Ohio company sold coal to the New York, New Haven & Hartford company for less than the cost of mining plus the published tariff of the Chesapeake & Ohio for transporting the coal to its destination, and that this amounted to the Chesapeake & Ohio transporting the coal in question at less than its published rates. The case was decided in favor of the government on Jan. 30 last. It is not yet known whether or not the defendants will appeal."

BOXING GOSSIP

Joe Russell, who runs a stable for boxers in Boston has discovered a new 105-pound man whom he wants to put against some of the good ones and he writes to Lowell to see if there are any at that weight in this city. Of course there is Kid Flannery, but at present Flannery is doing business with Jimmy Walsh, the champion at that weight and is not looking elsewhere. If he does not succeed with Walsh he will be pleased to talk business with Russell.

Mr. Russell also has a 115-pound man in Eddie Hall, whom he would like to put on against Peter Brooks of Lawrence.

Tonight a fine bill is offered at the Riverview club at the usual smoker, with a final between Tom McLaughlin and a Lawrence welterweight. It will be McLaughlin's reappearance in the ring and great things are expected of him by his friends.

AMERICAN SHIP ASHORE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—A despatch received yesterday by the California Shipping company says that the American ship Henry B. Hyde, owned by that corporation, is ashore off Damneck station, Chesapeake bay. A gale is blowing and the vessel is reported going to pieces. The ship was on her way from Baltimore to New York to load for San Francisco. She was built at Bath, Me., and has a displacement of 2583 tons.

WOMEN TO VOTE

Favorable Report From the Committee

The committee on election laws of the legislature reported favorably yesterday the bill to permit women to vote in caucuses for the nomination of members of the school board. It is understood that Representative William C. S. Healey of ward 2, Boston, will dissent, and Senator Carleton P. How of Haverhill will reserve the right to dissent, though he says he is in favor of the bill and will probably not oppose it.

Apparently this bill is the only woman suffrage measure that will be favorably reported this year. Yesterday the same committee reported adversely on the petition of Lucia Ames Mead to allow women to vote at municipal elections. This report was signed for the committee by house chairman Robert Luce and is unanimous, save for the dissent of Representative McManus of Natick.

The committee has not decided what it will do with the bill to permit women to vote on the question of license. Several members of the committee say the vote will be more evenly divided than on the measures already reported.

This committee reported no legislation necessary yesterday on the recommendation of Gov. Bates in favor of women's suffrage.

AS TEMPERANCE MEASURE.

A bill to permit women to vote on the question of license was yesterday given a hearing before the committee on election laws at the state house. In favor of the measure there appeared the petitioner, Katherine L. Stevenson, B. B. Johnson of Waltham, Eliza Trask Hill, M. J. Fanning and others. All the speakers argued that such a measure would be a step in favor of temperance and they urged a favorable consideration of the bill.

In opposition election commissioner Charles R. Saunders of Boston, Mrs Charles Guild, Frank Foxcroft of Cambridge urged that there is no great demand for the passage of the bill, and Mr. Saunders said that women ought not to have this right because they cannot bear arms in time of war nor do jury service, both of which duties he urged should go with the right to vote.

93 YEARS

OLDEST RESIDENT OF NORTH ANDOVER.

On Monday Mrs. Harriet McDonald of North Andover Centre reached her 93d birthday and as for many years the anniversary was observed by a gathering of relatives and friends at the home, 36 Andover street. During the day the neighbors and many of the friends of the aged lady called and paid their respects to her, says the Lawrence Telegram. In the afternoon a bounteous repast was partaken of by about 25 of the relatives of the venerable hostess, present from Manchester, N. H., Methuen, Andover, Boston, Dorchester, Lowell, Reading and North Andover. In the early evening the guests departed, expressing their kindliest wishes that the day bring many returns.

Mrs. McDonald is the oldest resident of the town, having been born and lived there practically all of her life. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Moear. Her father was born in Frye village, Andover, and her mother, who was Phoebe Chandler, was a native of the latter town also. Her maternal grandfather was a drum major in the revolutionary war.

Mrs. McDonald is in excellent health and retains her faculties to a remarkable degree. She recalls distinctly when Lafayette passed through Andover. She was one of a family of five sisters and a brother, one of the sisters, Mrs. Mary Grush, being a resident of Lowell and in her 88th year. Mrs. McDonald's husband, James F. McDonald, died in 1899. Of her three children, a son, Albert McDonald, with whom she makes her home, survives.

Among those who partook of dinner were: George F. Moear and Mr. and Mrs. George Vermille of Manchester, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Moear and son, Percy Moear of Methuen, Miss Cora Grush of Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Grush of Dorchester, Mrs. Fred A. Andrews of Andover, Miss Elizabeth M. Saunders of North Andover and Miss Carrie Merrill of Peabody, Mrs. Fred P. Hannaford, Miss Mabel Hannaford of North Andover, Mrs. Horace N. Stevens of North Andover, Mrs. Charles G. Hussey and Mrs. George Hussey of Andover, Mr. and Mrs. Albert McDonald, Proctor and Miss Polly Chandler and Mrs. L. M. Phipps, all of the town.

WAR DECLARATION

IS NOT NECESSARY SAYS PROF. WOOLSEY.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 11.—Prof. Theodore S. Woolsey of the Yale law school, an authority on international law today, gave it as his opinion that in breaking off diplomatic relations, the Japanese government gave a perfectly fair warning to Russia that war was at hand. "A declaration of war nowadays is unnecessary," said Prof. Woolsey. "War dates from the first moment of conflict so far as the belligerents are concerned. Neutral duties date from the official announcement made to other governments that war has begun.

"There was nothing treacherous or improper in the Japanese torpedo attack upon the Russian ships at Port Arthur."

FINAL LEVEE

RECEPTION IN HONOR OF ARMY AND NAVY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The final levee of the season at the White House the reception in honor of the army and navy, was given by President and Mrs. Roosevelt last night. The affair was the most brilliant of all the receptions. There was a large contigent of the diplomatic corps present in full court dress and the toilets of the ladies were beautiful. Admiral Dewey and staff and Lieut. Gen. Chaffee and his staff were conspicuous among the large number of those who came. The marine band furnished the music.

FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE

ARRESTED BY THE PHILADELPHIA POLICE.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—Martin Bertsch, alleged fugitive from Switzerland, was arrested here last night by Deputy Marshal Helms, charged with embezzlement. He was located in a cheap boarding house in the slum district, where he was known as Fritz Wiederker.

Bertsch, it is said, was treasurer of the Corporation society of Melz, Switzerland, and is charged with embezzling funds of the organization to the amount of 25,000 francs. He is also accused of embezzling 30,000 francs from estates of which he was executor.

POLO NOTES.

Marion and Richmond are tied for first honors in the western league.

The crippled Indians are still at the bottom of the list and if they could go any lower they would for the team is in a very poor condition.

Fort Wayne has a good lead on the other clubs in the central polo league.

A line drive off the bat of Tommy Holderness of Muncie, in the second period of the game, Saturday night, at Indianapolis, struck Allie Coggshall, Indianapolis centre, squarely in the jaw and sent him to the floor with a terrible jolt. He fell as if mortally wounded. When the other players assisted him to his feet, and a physician was called, it was learned that he had lost three teeth, and had sustained a fractured jaw. His injuries will put him out of the game for some time. Murtaugh, who has been released, took Coggshall's place and finished the game.

FIRST CONTRACT AWARDED.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 12.—So far as known here the first contract looking toward the reconstruction of Baltimore has been awarded to a Pittsburg firm. James Stewart & Co., the contractors, of this city, have been given the contract for the rebuilding of the Baltimore Herald's ten story building and will begin at once.

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Ladies' black hose, out size, lace work, 38c quality	25c
Ladies' black lace ankle, handsome patterns, 38c quality	25c
Ladies' black gauze cotton, double sole, heel and toe, 42c quality	29c
Ladies' extra fine black hose, lace ankle, the 50c favorite	35c
Ladies' all-over lace hose, extra strong, 50c quality	35c
Ladies' black plain gauze lisle hose, our leader at 50c	37c
Ladies' black lace lisle hose, very choice patterns, 50c quality	38c
Ladies' black sea island cotton hose, extra fine weave, 65c quality	50c
Ladies' black silk hose, 87c quality	50c
Ladies' black lace ankle lisle hose, elastic top, 75c quality	50c
Ladies' out size lace ankle, 75c quality	50c
Ladies' all over lace lisle hose, 62c quality	48c
Ladies' black gauze lace ankle and all over lace, 79c quality	62c
Ladies' all-over lace hose, $1.25 and $1 qualities	75c and 87c

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C. Y. M. L. DRAMATICS

"Friends" a Clever Comedy Most Ably Presented

The dramatic society of the C. Y. M. L. added new laurels to their reputation last night, when a most successful presentation of the comedy "Friends" was given in the Opera house. A large audience that was quick to recognize the clever work of the young people asembled and the applause with which every fine piece of acting was greeted was most encouraging to the amateurs.

It was the first time that local amateurs had attempted to present "Friends" and it may be said that the work of the cast

JAMES B. COUGHLIN.

was far ahead of that shown last year when "Rosedale" was given. John Quinn, who directed the performance, is deserving of credit for his work and the results accomplished, and too much cannot be said in praise of the efforts of the people who assumed the different characters. From the boxes the pastor of St. Patrick's with the priests of the parish and Rev. B. A. Dorgan, O. M. I., of the Immaculate Conception church saw the performance and were gratified with the suc-

ETHEL CLAYTON RANGER.

cess achieved. Nothing could have passed off more smoothly, and during the entire play there was no slipup in lines, no prompting required and the staginess that many amateurs are prone to affect and which detracts from the merit of their work was not in evidence at all. The cast of characters was as follows:

Marguerite Otto of the Metropolitan Opera house.....Miss Ethel Ranger
Hans Otto, her father, Mr. James B. Coughlin
Harold Hunting, director of the Metropolitan Opera house, Mr. Daniel S. O'Brien
John Paden, Sr., a business man, Mr. John J. McNabb
John Padden, Jr., a modern poet, Mr. John J. Hanlon
Adrian Karje, a pianist, Mr. John J. Sullivan
Jennie Merryweather, Miss Lillian O'Brien
Miss Wolfe of the Metropolitan Opera house.....Miss Madeline Crevier
Miss Hartman of the Metropolitan Opera house.....Miss Elizabeth Connell
Henry, a servant.....Mr. Frank Higgins

Synopsis—Act 1, Mrs. Merryweather's lodgings; act 2, drawing room at Marguerite Otto's; act 3, Harold Hunting's apartments; act 4, green room, leading to Marguerite's dressing room at the Metropolitan Opera house.

Time, the present; place, New York.

As Marguerite Otto of the Metropolitan Opera house Miss Ethel Ranger was most pleasing. She was most effective in the climaxes and her singing of "Good Bye," at the close of the second act, was exceptionally good.

She was entirely at home in the role and was self-possessed at all times. Her lines were effectively delivered and she surprised all by her elocution.

Miss Lillian O'Brien proved herself a very clever little lady and as "Jennie Merryweather," she accepted every opportunity to display her cleverness. She was a great favorite with the audience and was loudly applauded.

The leading male character was assigned to James B. Coughlin, who was "Hans Otto," and he lived up to the reputation that he has already established in dramatic circles in this vicinity. Something of a fine order was expected from him and there was no disappointment. Particularly in the third act did he show his ability when under the influence of liquor and drugs he did the cleverest piece of acting of the night.

John McNabb, as John Paden, Sr., made a hit from the start. The character of the crabbd, old man who thinks everyone is wrong and that he is right, was given an excellent interpretation by him and his scenes with his son, John Paden, Jr., impersonated by John J. Hanlon, were some of the leading features of the comedy. Mr. Hanlon never appeared to better advantage in dramatic roles and the great improve-

JOHN J. SULLIVAN.

ment in his work was most marked. "Harold Hunting," the director of the Metropolitan opera house was ably handled by Daniel S. O'Brien, who has appeared in different productions in this city and always wins praise for his careful and masterly playing.

John J. Sullivan, who with John J. Hanlon assumed the characters that gave the name to the piece, was quick to see the advantages offered by the character "Adrian Karje," the pianist,

JOHN J. HANLON.

and as a result presented some finished acting. The strangeness of the character did not phase him at all.

"Miss Wolfe" and "Miss Hartman," members of the Metropolitan Opera house, parts filled by Miss Madeline Chevier and Miss Elizabeth Connell respectively, were done well.

HEEL CRUSHED

Manuel Pitto, residing at 59 Charles street, met with a painful accident while at work in the Hamilton mills this morning. He was at work about the elevator in No. 4 comber room when he got his right foot caught between the elevator and the flooring. When the accident happened he tried to stop the elevator and shouted for help.

Several of the other operatives of the room ran to his assistance and after stopping the elevator it was found that his heel was badly crushed. The ambulance was summoned and upon its arrival he was removed to the Lowell hospital where his injury was dressed.

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A PROCLAMATION

President Sets Forth Our Impartial Attitude

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12.—The United States government late yesterday afternoon issued its formal proclamation of neutrality. This action was finally decided upon after the call at the state department this morning of Minister Takahira, who officially informed Secretary of State Hay that a state of war existed between Japan and Russia.

This official notification, after reciting the termination of negotiations with Russia, states that the Mikado had on February 10 issued a rescript declaring war against Russia.

Minister Takahira told Secretary Hay he was also instructed to express the hope of Japan that the necessary measure would be adopted in order to make the neutrality of the United States effective. The proclamation is as follows:

By the President of the United States of America:

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas, a state of war unhappily exists between Japan on the one side and Russia on the other side; and,

Whereas, the United States is on terms of friendship and amity with both the contending powers and with the persons inhabiting their several dominions; and,

Whereas, there are citizens of the United Shues residing within the territories or dominations of each of the said belligerents and carrying on commerce, trade or other business or pursuits therein, protected by the faith of treaties; and,

Whereas, there are subjects of each of the said belligerants residing within the territory or jurisdiction of the United States and carrying on commerce, trade or other business or pursuits therein; and,

Whereas, the laws of the United States, without interfering with the free expression of opinion and sympathy, or with the open manufacture or sale of arms or munitions of war, nevertheless impose upon all persons who may be within their territory and jurisdiction the duty of an impartial neutrality during the existence of the contest; and,

Whereas, it is the duty of a neutral government not to permit or suffer the making of its waters subservient to the purpose of war.

IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE UNITER STATES' NEUTRALITY.

Now, therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, president of the United States of America, in order to preserve the neutrality of the United States and of their citizens and of persons within their territory and jurisdiction, and to enforce their laws, and in order that all persons, being warned of the general tenor of the laws and treaties of the United States in this behalf, and of the law of nations, may thus be prevented from unintentional violation of the same, do hereby declare and proclaim that, by the act passed on the 20th day of April, A. D., 1818, commonly known as the "neutrality law," the following acts are forbidden to be done, under severe penalties, within the territory and jurisdiction of the United States, to wit:

1—Accepting and exercising a commission to serve either of the said belligerents by land or by sea against the other belligerent.

2—Enlisting or entering into the service of either of the belligerents as a soldier, as a marine or seaman on board of any vessel of war, letter of marque or privateer.

3—Hiring or retaining another person to enlist or enter himself in the service of either of the said belligerents as a soldier, or as a marine or seaman on board of any vessel of war, letter of marque or privateer.

4—Hiring another person to go beyond the limits or jurisdiction of the United States with intent to be enlisted as aforesaid.

5—Hiring a man to go beyond the limits of the United States to be entered as aforesaid.

6—Retaining another person to go beyond the limits of the United States with intent to be entered as aforesaid.

7—Retaining another person to go beyond the limits of the United States to be entered into service as aforesaid. (but the said act is not to be construed to extend to a citizen of either belligerent, who, being transiently within the United States, shall, on board of any vessel of war, which at the time of its arrival within the United States was fully equipped as such vessel of war, enlist or enter himself or hire or retain another subject or citizen of the same belligerent, who is transiently within the United States, to enlist or enter himself to service of such belligerent on such vessel of war if the United States shall then be at peace with such belligerent.

FITTING OUT OF EXPEDITION.

8—Fitting out or arming, or attempting to fit out and arm, or procuring to be fitted out and armed, or knowingly being concerned in the furnishing, fitting out or arming of any ship or vessel with intent that such ship or vessel shall be employed in the service of either of the belligerents.

9—Issuing or delivering a commission within the territory or jurisdiction of the United States for any ship or vessel to the intent that she may be employed as aforesaid.

10 Increasing or augmenting, or procuring, to be increased or augmented, or knowingly being concerned in increasing or augmenting, the force of any ship of war, cruiser or other armed vessel, which at the time of her arrival within the United States was a ship of war, cruiser or armed vessel in the service of either of the said belligerents, or belonging to the subjects of either, by adding to the number of guns of such vessels, or by changing those on board of her for guns of larger caliber, or by the addition thereto of any equipment solely applicable to war.

11 Beginning, or setting on foot, or providing or preparing the means for any military expedition or enterprise to be carried on from the territory, or jurisdiction of the United States against the territory or dominions of either of the said belligerents.

USE OF AMERICAN WATERS.

And I do hereby further declare and proclaim that any frequenting and use of the waters within the territorial jurisdiction of the United States by the armed vessels of either belligerents whether public ships or privateers, for the purpose of preparing for hostile operations, or as posts of observations upon the ships of war or privateers or merchant vessels of the other belligerent, lying within or being about to enter the jurisdiction of the United States, must be regarded as unfriendly and offensive and in violation of that neutrality which it is the determination of this government to observe; and to the end that the hazard and inconvenience of such apprehended practices may be avoided, I further proclaim and declare that from and after the 15th day of February instant and during the continuance of the present hostilities between Japan and Russia, no ship of war or privateer of either belligerent shall be permitted to make use of any port, harbor, roadstead, or waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United States from which a vessel of the other belligerent (whether the same shall be a ship of war, a privateer, or a merchant ship) shall have previously departed until after the expiration of at least 24 hours from the departure of such last mentioned vessel beyond the jurisdiction of the United States.

If any ship of war or privateer of either belligerent shall, after the time of this notification takes effect, enter any port, harbor, roadstead or waters of the United States, such vessel shall be required to depart and to put to sea within 24 hours after her entrance into such port, harbor, roadstead or waters, except in case of stress of weather or of her requiring provisions or things necessary for the subsistence of her crew or for repairs; in either of which cases the authorities of the port or of the nearest port (as the case may be) shall require her to put to sea as soon as possible after the expiration of such period of 24 hours without permitting her to take in supplies beyond what may be necessary for her immediate use; and no such vessel which may have been permitted to remain within the waters of the United States for the purpose of repair shall continue within such port, harbor, roadstead or waters for a longer period than 24 hours after her necessary repairs shall have been completed, unless within such 24 hours, a vessel, whether ship of war, privateer, or merchant ship of the other belligerent, shall have departed therefrom, in which case the time limited for the departure of such ship of war or privateer shall be extended so far as may be necessary to secure an interval of not less than 24 hours between such departure and that of any ship of war, privateer or merchant ship of the other belligerent which may have previously quit the same port, harbor, roadstead or waters. No ship of war, or privateer of either belligerent shall be detained in any port, harbor or roadstead or waters of the United States more than 24 hours, by reason of the successive departures from such port, harbor, roadstead or waters of more than one vessel of the other belligerent. But if there be several vessels of each or either of the two belligerents in the same port, harbor, roadstead or waters, the order of their departure therefrom shall be so arranged as to afford the opportunity of leaving alternately to the vessels of the respective belligerents, and to cause the least detention consistent with the objects of this proclamation. No ship of war or privateer of either belligerent shall be permitted, while in any port, harbor, roadstead or waters within the jurisdiction of the United States to take in any supplies except provisions and such other things as may be requisite for the subsistence of her crew and except so much coal only as may be sufficient to carry such vessel, if without any sail power, to the nearest port of her own country; or in case the vessel is rigged to go under sail, and may also be propelled by steam power, then with half the quantity of coal which she would be entitled to receive, if dependent upon steam alone, and no coal shall be again supplied to any such ship of war or privateer in the same or any other port, harbor, roadstead or waters of the United States, without special permission, until after the expiration of three months from the time when such coal may have been last supplied to her within the waters of the United States, unless such ship or privateer shall, since last thus supplied, have entered a port of the government to which she belongs.

TERMS OF TREATY.

And, I further declare and proclaim that by the first article of the convention as to the rights of neutrals at sea which was concluded between the United States of America and his majesty, the emperor of all the Russias, on the 22d day of July, A. D., 1854, the following principles were recognized as premanent and immutable, to wit:

1 That free ships make free goods; that is to say, that the effects or goods belonging to subjects or citizens of a power or state at war are free from capture and confiscation when found on board of neutral vessels, with the exception of articles of contraband of war.

2. That the property of neutrals on board an enemy's vessel is not subject to confiscation, unless the same be contraband of war.

And I further declare and proclaim that the statutes of the United States and the law of nations alike require that no person within the territory and jurisdiction of the United States shall take part, directly or indirectly, in the said war, but shall remain at peace with each of the said belligerents, and shall maintain a strict and impartial neutrality and that whatever privilege shall be accorded to one of the belligerents within the ports of the United States shall in like manner be accorded to the other.

I do hereby enjoin all the good citizens of the United States, and all persons residing or being within the territory or jurisdiction of the United States, to observe the laws thereof and to commit no act contrary to the provisions of the said statutes, or in violation of the law of nations in that behalf.

And I do hereby warn all citizens of the United States and all persons residing or being within their territory or jurisdiction that while the free and full expression of sympathy in public and private is not restricted by the laws of the United States, military force in aid of either belligerent cannot lawfully be originated or organized within their jurisdiction; and that while all persons may lawfully, and without restriction by reason of the aforesaid state of war, manufacture and sell within the United States arms and munitions of war, and other articles ordinarily known as "contraband of war," yet they cannot carry such articles upon the high seas for the use or service of either belligerent nor can they transport soldiers and officers of either or attempt to break any blockade which may be lawfully established and maintained during the war without incurring the risk of hostile capture and the penalties denounced by the law of nations in that behalf.

And, I do hereby give notice that all citizens of the United States and others who may claim the protection of the government who may misconduct themselves in thep remises, will do so at their peril, and that they can in no wise obtain any protection from the government of the United States against the consequences of their misconduct.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this 11th day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-eighth.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

By the President.
JOHN HAY, Secretary of State.

Concert, dance, refreshments, 25c, Mohatns, Odd Fellows' temple, Saturday night.

Lowell, Friday, February 12, 1904

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Three Grand Money Saving Values at the Men's Wear Dept.

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Men's Soft Shirts

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69c Each

35 dozen go on sale this day, made from fine Madras, Percale or Cheviot, good patterns, with a pair of well laundered cuffs to match; well made, finished right, with pearl buttons, sizes 14 to 17. Dollar shirts, only

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50 dozen—a job lot from the mill, trimmed or plain, full size, made with double felled seams, good pearl buttons. Twilled and plain cloths. At our price, less than half in some cases, you buy one of these night shirts for only

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Men's New Pajamas

Exceptional value at

$1.50 a Set

20 dozen. These are not a job lot or a mark down, just a grand, good "buy" of new goods which will never be duplicated the way cotton goods are advancing. Made of printed cheviot, with military collar, double breasted silk facings, all new patterns, only

$1.50 a Set

EAST SECTION—LEFT AISLE

Ladies' Sample Hosiery

One-Third Off

Our usual February sale places in your hands next spring's stockings for less the price we'd have to pay—in the regular way.

25c Hose for.....19c A PAIR
38c Hose for.....25c A PAIR
50c Hose for.....38c A PAIR
75c Hose for.....50c A PAIR
$1.00 Hose for.....75c A PAIR

WEST SECTION—LEFT AISLE.

$6, $7, $8 Blankets

Only $3.25 a Pair

We are offering our best grades of seconds at this very low price, to send them out quickly. They're not the least bit damaged, most of the "imperfect" ones being only a little soiled.

We will give you $3.00 worth of extra Dark Blue Stamps, with each pair of Blankets.

PALMER STREET—BASEMENT.

Under Prices of Importance from the House Furnishing Department

For only $13.98—Dinner Sets of 142 pieces which include oat meal and bone dishes. Best grade porcelain, with neat floral decorations, every piece gold lined. Regular price $20 for the set.

For 25 cents each—Fine China Pitchers, 2 pint size, regular price 40c.

For 10 cents each—Paper Lamp Shades, two styles, regular price 25c.

For 10 cents each—Fine China Tea Cups and Saucers, regular price 15c.

ROGERS' SILVER PLATE WARE AT REDUCED PRICES

Tea Spoons, ***$1.25*** a dozen. Dessert Spoons, ***$2.50*** a dozen. Table Spoons, ***$2.75*** a dozen. Table Knives, ***$3.50*** a dozen. Table Forks, ***$2.75*** a dozen. Dessert Forks, ***$2.50*** a dozen. The above prices are from 50c to $1 a dozen cheaper than you usually find them.

Wire Garment hangers, ***7 for 25c.*** Steel Toasting Forks, wood handles, only ***10c each.*** The Improved Christy Bread Knives, only ***19c a pair.*** Tooth Picks, 1200 in a box, ***2 boxes for 5c.*** Fairy and Glycerine Tar Soap, ***6 bars for 25c.***

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

Hat Pins

50 Importer's Sample Hat Pins, the jeweled sort, were $1.50, only

WEST SECTION—RIGHT AISLE.

Thimbles

350 Sterling Silver Thimbles, octagon and engraved bands, were 35c and 50c each, only 15c EACH

WEST SECTION—RIGHT AISLE.

Tea and Coffee

FOR 85c—1 pound Coffee, 1 pound Tea, 5 pounds Sugar, 1 bottle Ketchup, for **85c**

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

Winter Caps 25c

We'll close out the last of the Winter Caps. Men's at a quarter each—75c and $1.00 quality.

PALMER STREET—BASEMENT.

BANKS OPENED

Contents of Vaults Were Unharmed

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 12.—Baltimore is gradually resuming its normal condition. All the banks are opened today in their temporary quarters, well supplied with funds to meet the demands for weekly payrolls and for all ordinary needs. Hundreds of depositors were at the banks early with checks which were promptly cashed. Next Monday the regular clearings will begin. The vaults of all the national banks in Baltimore have now been opened, the last one having been inspected today and in each the contents were found to be unharmed. Charles C. Homer, president of the clearing house association, expressed himself today as being more hopeful than ever as to the quick restoration of healthy financial conditions in Baltimore.

To minimize as far as possible the hardships under which the inhabitants now suffer, Mayor McLane and his municipal associates have decided to temporarily suspend the collection of taxes and water rents, it having been discovered that the city has enough money on hand, as the result of large collections in January, to meet all requirements for an indefinite period.

Mayor McLane has called a special session of the city council to meet tonight to consider whether any legislation is needed in the matter, conditions for the realignment of public thoroughfares in the burned district and the re-construction of buildings. Several insurance claims were paid today and leading agents here say that at least $10,000,000 have already been paid out and that many millions in checks have been received here and are now on deposit ready to be paid out after some partial adjustments have been made. They state that the big companies have deposited a much larger amount in New York subject to the order of agents.

At a conference held today between Mayor Robert McLane and the citizens committee, it was decided that no call would be made for outside assistance to relieve the distressed situation caused by the fire. If it is found necessary later on, the municipality will float a loan to meet all needs.

M. Little & Co., Bridge street corner Third, give double green stamps with each wrapper sold today and tomorrow. Big line of "Reliance Corsette" house dresses in stock.

ANNUAL REUNION

Of St. Peter's Parish at Huntington Hall

Huntington hall was the scene of another joyous party last evening, the third in succession to be conducted in this hall by Catholic societies. The occasion last evening and the one to which all roads led was the annual parish sociable and reunion of St. Peter's church, and for attendance and merriment the affair will long be remembered. As is always the case the affairs conducted by St. Peter's are

THOMAS J. McDERMOTT,
Floor Director.

very largely attended, the attendance not only embracing those within the confines of the parish but from other parishes, also as well as several non-Catholics.

The Tabernacle society had much to do with the details of the work.

The decorations last evening in and about the hall were exquisite, to say the least. The stage was liberally dotted with potted plants and ferns and overhead suspended from the proscenium were the letters in vari-colored incandescents: "Welcome." The auditorium looked resplendent bedecked with bunting of green and white, streamers of which were suspended from the centre of the hall to the sides of the gallery. Around the sides of the gallery were folds of bunting of white and green with tassels. Suspended at intervals from the gallery were huge baskets of artificial roses. On the whole the effect was very striking and evoked much comment.

AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE.

The afternoon was given over to the children of the parish and the entertainment provided more than delighted the young folks. The hall was crowded when at 3 o'clock the program opened. Miss Belle Lavigne sang a pretty little song. Miss Caroline Tyrrell, who has time and again danced herself into favor, won new laurels by her graceful movements. Other numbers were contributed by talent from one of the local theatres. A skit entitled "A Haunted House," was also presented by Joseph O'Connell and John Quinn, which provoked no end of amusement. Misses Harriet Gormley and Rose Nugent directed the entertainment.

EVENING ENTERTAINMENT.

Of course the main portion of the reunion took place in the evening and the 2500 people who found seats in the hall were well satisfied.

At 8 p. m., the schedule hour for the opening of the entertainment, every seat in the gallery was taken. G. M. Harrigan, general manager, and his assistant, Dr. Edw. M. Murphy, were kept busy in the early evening attending to the comforts of the gathering while the members of the reception committee lent valuable assistance.

The entertainment was opened shortly after 8 o'clock.

Following the entertainment general dancing was engaged in until 1 o'clock, to the music of the Colonial orchestra.

The officers are: General manager, George M. Harrigan; assistant, Dr. Edward M. Murphy; floor director, Thomas J. McDermott; assistant, Edward Bushnell.

Chief aids—C. J. Mulholland, William D. Regan, Eugene Crane, Francis Murphy.

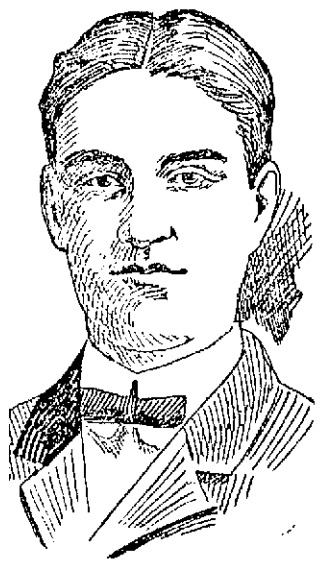
Aids: Peter Flood, John A. Green, John Gleason, John L. McDonough, Joseph H. Flynn, Arthur McQuade, William Murphy, George Gendron, John J. Flood, John F. Dorris, John F. McCann, William F. Gately, Geo. W. Murphy, Joseph Leary, Ed. Handley, James Madden, Patrick Fyne, Charles J. Mulholland, Walter Shaw, John J. Wade, Dennis Madden, William Sheeley, Edward Lyons, Charles Murphy, George Murphy, John H. Fyne, George H. Whalen, Fred M. Flaherty, Joseph F. McGirr, Thos. A. Ginty, Charles Foye, John Madden, John Thornton, George Laud, George Gendrin.

Reception committee—James B. Casey, chairman; John F. Connors, Daniel F. Reilly, James E. Gorman, Dr. Thomas F. Carroll, Charles Donohue, Michael McGlinchey, Bernard C. O'Neill, James H. Madden, Michael H. McDonough, John Nolan, Martin Hyde, John H. Corbett, Joseph F. Egan, Cornelius F. Calnin, Peter J. Brady, Peter F. Conaton, Joseph Flynn, James H. McDermott, Charles J. Mulholland, James J. Murphy, J. Joseph O'Connor, Esq., Fred H. Rourke, James E. Donnelly, Wm. F. Thornton, Peter A. Cline, Francis M. Fagan, Andrew Healey, James F. Morrison, Frank J. O'Hare, John A. Sadlier, Dr. Edward J. Welch, Michael Corbett, Joseph Donohue, Daniel Cosgrove, John P. Mahoney, John J. Duff, John J. O'Connell, Thos. F. Sheehan, Dr. George P. Madden, Philip McNulty, Joseph H. Gormley, Patrick F. Welch, Edward F. Martin, James F. Miskella, Edward G. Twohey, Patrick F. McNulty, Jeremiah Driscoll, Dr. John F. Boyle, John J. O'Rourke, Patrick Fitzgibbons, Dr. Charles E. Donlan, John F. Rogers, John A. McKenna, David Gerow, Michael J. Guthrie, Charles L. Marren, Charles D. Slattery, John E. Roach, William F. Boyle, Daniel J. Donahue, Patrick B. McHugh, Martin J. Courtney, Patrick J. Gallagher, John J. Gilbride, Michael J. Maher, John H. Chambers, William F. Devlin, Martin J. Crowe, John J. McQuade, Avery Marshall, John E. Enwright, Edward J. Higgins, George E. Richards, Frank L. Mealey, Michael Reynolds, Charles B. Whalen, George B. Jeffers, Myles Burns, Dennis J. Cooney, Walter E. Flaherty, James F. McGarvey, John P. McCarthy, John Warburton, Patrick Guthrie, James Carroll, Frank J. Sullivan, E. D. Lyons, Philip Ginty, Thomas A. Sheahon, James J. Ward, James J. McManmon, Edward Lee, Benjamin Maloney, James Mulligan, John M. Murphy, Henry Quirbach, Joseph H. Herrick, Frank J. Campbell, Dr. James F. Loughran, Daniel F. Carroll, Michael J. Markham, Henry Carroll, James F. Corbett, James E. Richards, Walter H. Bagshaw, Thomas F. Meagher, Joseph Meaney, Edward G. Black, Frank J. Carolin, George P. Gately, Edward Farrell, John F. Egan, John Drain, James F. Hornby, Joseph C. Hurley, James M. McGreevy, Charles P. Kirby, Frank A. Donahue, George B. McKenna, Philip McLaughlin, Edward J. O'Connell, Michael F. Rafferty, William D. Raygan, Patrick Rogers, George M. Rooney, Charles F. Tumelty, Philip Breen, John P. Donnelly, Michael Gorman, Arthur McCann, Patrick E. O'Neill, Richard A. Tarrant, John E. Shea, Peter Sheehan, Jr., Frederick A. Smith; John W. Sharkey secretary.

The various tables were presided over by the following ladies of the parish:

Lemonade table—Matron, Miss Katherine Quinn; assistants, Mrs. Jeremiah Driscoll, Miss Mary Quinn, Miss Josephine Quinn, Miss Mary McNamee, Miss Della Keenan, Miss Katherine Laughlin, Miss Mary Barrett, Miss Mary McOwen, Miss Anna Coughlin, Miss Madeline Driscoll, Miss Dorothy Driscoll, Miss Katherine Kelly, Miss Mary Cryan, Miss Mary Gaffney, Miss Gertrude McQuade, Miss Elizabeth Cassidy, Miss Josephine Barrett, Miss Mary E. Carroll, Miss Regina Girard, Miss Nora Pine, Miss Agnes Cassidy, Miss Minnie Donahue, Miss Kathryn McGuire, Miss Katherine M. King, Miss Margaret C. Riley, Miss Josie Conway, Miss Elizabeth Murningham, Miss Cassie Tobin, Miss Chrissie Kane, Miss Della Conley, Miss Katie Kevill, Miss Mollie Donohoe, Miss Mollie Duffy, Miss Mary Tobin.

Candy table—Della T. Brady, matron; Mrs. Frank Campbell, Mrs. James Donohoe, Mrs. William Dailey, Mrs. Edward Kerwin, Mrs. James McCarthy, Mrs. E. Herrick, Mrs. Henry Roark, Mrs. Joseph Donohoe, Mrs. Gerow, Mrs. William Murphy, Misses Sadie E. Tully, Rose Kane, Margaret



EDWARD F. BUSHNELL,
Assistant Floor Director.

Connors, Nellie Tully, Grace Gormley, Annie Doherty, Nellie Hunt, Nellie O'Connell, Margaret Howe, Minnie Hill, Nellie Mahoney, Minnie Brady, Alice Dorothy, Sadie Donovan, Vera Moody, Margaret Corbett, Katherine Brady Marietta Gormley, Lena Bagshaw, Mary Tobin, Augusta Fagin, Annie Duffy, May Campbell, M. Driscoll, Zita Smaller, Nellie Wholley, Grace Crowley, Katherine Fagan, Nellie Donohoe, Sadie Newton.

Refreshment Table—Mrs. Miles F. Burns, matron; Mrs. P. F. Kane, Mrs. J. W. Kane, Mrs. Charles Kirby, Mrs. Fred Sherrow, Mrs. John Nolan, Mrs. John J. Donnelly, Mrs. Edward Kerwin, Mrs. Martin Courtney, Mrs. William Thornton, Mrs. P. H. Donohoe, Mrs. Owen Donohoe, Mrs. James Donohoe, Mrs. Henry Maguire, Mrs. John J. Corbett, Mrs. John McQuade, Mrs. J. W. McKennedy, Mrs. Daniel Roarke, Mrs. James J. McCarty, Mrs. Daniel J. Donahue, Mrs. Edward O'Connell, Mrs. John Sullivan, Mrs. T. A. Moloney, Mrs. Lizzie McGovern, Mrs. Walter Bagshaw, Mrs. J. J. O'Dwyer, Mrs. Catherine Fyne, Mrs. George Wilkins, Mrs. John Gill, Miss Kittie Short, Miss Jennie Maguire, Miss Margaret McDevitt, Miss Anna Webster, Mrs. Winfred Harrington, Miss Nellie McGovern, Miss Hannah Fluton, Miss Lizzie Stowell, Miss Sadie McCarmac, Miss Bridget McCann, Miss Mary McQuade, Miss Mary Fyne, Miss Winifred Madden, Miss Mary Sadlier, Miss Etta Freeman, Miss Rose Duff, Miss Mary O'Connell, Miss Alice Reagan, Miss Alice Kane, Miss Josie Shine, Miss Kittie Kivell, Miss Elizabeth Cassidy, Miss Mary Cassidy, Miss Margaret Reilly, Miss Fannie Donovan.

You've been before. Come again Saturday night, Mohairs' social, Odd Fellows' temple.

FLEUR DE LIS CLUB

BRILLIANT SOCIAL EVENT IN ASSOCIATE HALL.

The quarterly reunion of the Fleur de Lis Social club was held at Associate hall last evening and like the other parties conducted by this popular organization, it proved to be a grand success both from a social and a financial standpoint. There was a large gathering, including members and friends of the club.

Progressive whist and dancing were the attractions of the evening. In the early part of the evening whist was played, 25 tables being arranged around the floor, and for over an hour that popular game was enjoyed. This was followed by dancing, which continued until midnight.

The prize winners were announced by J. H. Guilette and were captured by the following: First, 35 points, Miss Marie Desilets, a jewel box, and Horace Desilets, an umbrella; second, 32 points, Miss Amanda Monette, a gold clock and Isadore Tetrault, a gold stick pin; third, 28 points, Mrs. Massicotte, a silk collarette and James Massicotte, a pack of cards. First booby prize was a box of Vital Force and was captured by Miss Marie Lauthier, and second was three doctors' prescriptions, one to be taken at breakfast, one after lunch and the third at dinner time; Miss Georgie Lambert was awarded the three slips of paper.

Prior to the card playing the Middlesex orchestra rendered the following concert program:

March, "Under the American Eagle," ..... Ellis
Serenade, "My Moon Beam Maid,".. ..... Roberts
Caprice, "Moon Moths" ..... Ellis
Medley, "Fleur de Lis" ..... Bey
Galop, "Lovers' Flight" ..... Christie

This program was followed by other selections which were played at intervals while whist was in progress.

The officers of the party were: Homer L. P. Turcotte, president; Joseph Carrier, chairman; assisted by Leon Crepeau, Lucien T. L. Turcotte, Majorique Cossette and Donat Blazon.

The judges of the whist tournament were: Messrs. J. H. Guilet, A. A. Parent, Dr. A. Fayette, J. C. Mansean, A. Perreon, Dr. L. A. Hurtubise and Joseph Harvey.

While the games were being played the following members of the Fleur de Lis served in the capacity of scorers: Messrs. Donat Rousseau, Homer Allard, Leon Crepeau, Albert Paquin, Alfred Parent, Homer Gill, Joseph Provast, under the personal direction of President Homer L. P. Turcotte.

Mr. Thomas Goyette was master of ceremonies.

Messrs. Louis and Charles Morrette presided over the check room.

LANDLORDS.

If you have a tenement idle that rents for $15 a month, you are losing 50 cents a day every day it is vacant. A little ad. in The Sun "To Let" column will rent your tenement in a very few days. Others have tried it with good results; why don't you try it?

AT WOMEN'S CLUB

Miss Devereaux at the Sociology Department

SPOKE INTERESTINGLY ON VACATION SCHOOLS

Miss Adelaide Baker Also Gave Address

The department of sociology of the Middlesex Women's club of which Mrs. George L. Hooper is president, provided an interesting program at the club yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Sara Snow Griffin was expected to read a paper on "The Evolution of Sociology" but was unable to be present.

In her place Miss Adelaide Baker gave a very interesting account of "The Social Studio of Bristol Ferry, R. I."

Bristol, the Pocanokot of the Indians was, she said, beautifully situated on a peninsula, extending into Narragansett bay on the south. The arm of the bay on the east side, towards Fall River, is called Mount Hope bay. The gentle isthmus between these two bays, proudly designated as the highest land of Rhode Island, is Mount Hope, once the residence of King Philip.

This is the site of the Bristol Ferry Social Studio, which was built and is maintained by a philanthropic lady, who does not care to have her name appear. Its object is to encourage friendly, helpful social life in the neighborhood. Croquet grounds and tennis courts are laid out near the building, while within is a large room, with a platform at one end, and a fireplace on the side—a cheerful hall, so completely hung with pictures that it resembled an art gallery. Two large tables are covered with books and the latest and best magazines and a writing desk is supplied with stationery. Classes have been organized in pyrography, basketry, wood carving, painting and instruction in sewing is given to the girls of the neighborhood. Games of many kinds are provided and several evenings a week the Portuguese, who are quite numerous in this section, are taught the elementary branches. One evening a week those of mature age play whist upon the platform previously spoken of, while the young folks dance. Lectures and entertainments are given at intervals. All these privileges are free to all who will use and not abuse the favors offered. There are but two restrictions, neither smoking nor gambling is allowed. When whist is played no prizes are offered. The Social Studio has brought happiness and pleasure to the community where it is located, and it might well be duplicated in many rural districts.

VACATION SCHOOLS.

Miss Anna W. Devereaux, principal of the local kindergartens, spoke most interestingly on her experiences with vacation schools.

The local movement to provide summer pleasures for the little ones was begun in 1899 by the ladies of the Middlesex club. Two teachers and volunteer assistants worked for six weeks at the Mann school, and later, similar work was done at the Franklin and Lakeview avenue schools. One year the city council appropriated $1500 for vacation schools, but last year, they deemed it inexpedient to do so. Many children of parents of limited means are obliged to work so steadily that they really do not know how to play; if given a toy, they know not how to use it. They are not in need of industrial education, but they should be taught to play and to treat each other with consideration. When a certain local summer school was opened, about 10 large boys, between the ages of 10 and 14, took possession of the grounds on the first morning, before the teachers arrived. What to do with them was a problem, and Miss Devereaux proposed that they go to a school where industrial education was being taught. They looked disappointed, and she told them she needed helpers to prevent the small children from using the fence as a means of entrance and exit from the yard, and if they would help in other ways they might stay. The large boys were delighted and named themselves "The Fence Cops," and they were very faithful in the discharge of their duties.

One young fellow, who was quite a comedian, and was paid a nightly salary of $2.00 at a local theatre, was impolite to one of the teachers, and was denied the privilege of entering the yard. After remaining outside the fence for one day, he said to the teacher, "For the love of God, let me in." He was allowed to return and gave no further trouble. The effort was made to raise the standard of right and wrong. Sewing was introduced for the girls and basketry for the boys. All were delighted to carry home an article that was something of a luxury.

Miss Devereaux raised money by subscription to purchase dolls for the girls in her school, and solicited pieces of evening dresses from lady friends. She next asked each girl to write her favorite color. Having secured boxes, she deposited a doll and material for its wardrobe within and placed a parcel in each girl's desk. "And," said the speaker, "I wish you could have seen the faces when the boxes were opened." Each pupil was allowed to make the dresses as she desired, and forty of the sixty were fashioned in the height of the prevailing style.

Vacation schools are a great success, and through them the children obtain a glimpse of something they will never have, unless they get it at that age.

Tea was served by the hospitality committee, Mrs. Mary A. Plunkett, chairman.

MAN ARRESTED

Dynamite Found on the Steamer Majestic

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 12.—The customs officials this morning found 18 pounds of dynamite and 3,360 detonators in the possession of an Austrian emigrant on board the White Star line steamer Majestic which left New York Feb. 3 and arrived here yesterday.

The Austrian's trunk had a false bottom in which the dynamite was concealed. The man who gave the name of Ivan Sinbeannio and who ostensibly was bound for Carlsbad, was arrested and remanded until Feb. 20.

COLLIER BEACHED

Was Rammed by the Gunboat Concord

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—The mail steamer San Jose, just arrived from South American ports brought the information that the United States navy collier Nero had been rammed by the gunboat Concord in the harbor at Panama. The injuries sustained by the collier were so serious that she had to be beached. The Concord was not injured.

CHIEF YEGGMAN

Will be Tried in Suffolk County

SALEM, Mass., Feb. 12—Frank Hayden, the alleged leader of the gang of burglars who broke into the office of the National Pop Corn works in Lynn and who has been in jail here awaiting trial on that charge, was taken to Boston today on a writ of habeas corpus. He is wanted there on the charge of having been one of the gang who broke into the office of the Metropolitan Coal company in East Boston and assaulted the watchman.

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Colgate's Toilet Soap	5c a Cake
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REP. HAM'S PANEGYRIC ON LINCOLN

Solon W. Stevens' Early Experience

A fine menu and good speaking marked the annual dinner of the Lincoln club which was held last night in Odd Fellows' temple in Middlesex street. During the early part of the evening an orchestra discoursed pleasant music, after which a fine dinner was served in the banquet hall. After the menu was discussed the cigars were passed around and the chairs were pushed back while the assembly listened to panegyrics on Lincoln, the martyred president.

Horton H. Hilton, the president of the club, after thanking the members for the interest they had taken in the annual dinners and also the different meetings of the club, introduced Mr. Alonzo G. Walsh as toastmaster of the evening. Mr. Walsh after thanking the chair and the members of the club for the honor bestowed upon him, spoke in a patriotic vein of the life of Lincoln and in referring to the proclamation of emancipation said: "What he did was done in order to preserve the United States."

The speaker then introduced His Honor Mayor Howe who responded to the toast "Our City."

MAYOR HOWE.

In the course of his remarks the mayor said that the city of Lowell was in as good condition as any of her sister cities. That the city had had some disastrous fires but owing to the

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good fire department the city has been saved from heavy losses. He then went on to speak of the license bill which is now before the legislative committee. He thought it was wrong for the state to tax the cities for half the license fee and hoped that the senators and representatives of this community would defeat the bill if it reached the house. He closed by saying: "As Mayor Collins of Boston says, the cities are spending too much money and the state is spending too much money. In a little while we will not be able to raise money under the $12 tax rate to pay our debts. This will have to be stopped. We have got to practice economy. The revenue of every city in the commonwealth has been reduced and the expenses have been increased. This club should have a wide influence in taking this in hand and trying to better it in every way."

SOLON W. STEVENS.

The next speaker was Solon W. Stevens who responded to the toast "Abraham Lincoln." He spoke in part as follows: "We have met here tonight to celebrate the 95th anniversary of the most unique character in the last three-quarters of the 19th cen-

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tury." He told of the birth of great men in the year 1808 and said that the five greatest papers in the history of the world were the Magna Charter, the Compact in the Mayflower, the Declaration of Independence, the constitution of the United States and the emancipation proclamation of Abraham Lincoln. He said that Lincoln after all was the central figure.

Continuing, he said: "I cast my first vote for Abraham Lincoln as president of the United States. In my college days I had the friendship and the intimate acquaintance of John Hay, who is now the secretary of state. When I learned that Lincoln had secured him as his private secretary I made up my mind to secure a good position at the inauguration, and when President Lincoln delivered his first inaugural address at Washington I stood within 15 or 20 feet of him."

The speaker then went on to tell that the people of the United States at that time were beginning to realize that the negroes in the south should not be sold as chattels, but should be free men according to the constitution of the United States. After touching upon the life and duties of President Lincoln the speaker said that Lincoln had stated that if slavery was not wrong then nothing was wrong. The speaker then described the inaugural address of Lincoln. After asking why the negroes should be free men the speaker said: "No anarchy has ever been bred in Uncle Tom's Cabin. It was a white man who assassinated Lincoln. It was a white man who struck down Garfield and it was a white man who shot down McKinley."

His speech was received with rousing cheers and he was tendered a rising vote of thanks.

HON. GUY A. HAM.

The next speaker was Hon. Guy A. Ham, a representative to the legislature from Boston. He responded to the toast, "Lincoln and the United States, the man and land of destiny." He spoke in part as follows:

Tonight I would call your attention to the subject "Lincoln and the United States, the man and land of destiny." When I use the term destiny I speak of it as a plan of divine Providence whereby there sprang out of an unknown family, under the most adverse circumstances, a man who was to prove the Savior of his people and whereby there was planted on this soil a nation that despite the most destructful war in the history of mankind, has contributed more to the progress of the world than any other nation in a similar period of time.

As we contemplate the life of Lincoln we stand amazed at the obstacles that were overcome and the success which crowned his efforts. That life represents the power that is produced under democratic forms of government and which contributes to the general welfare of the people.

It seems impossible to speak of the character of Lincoln in words of extravagant eulogy or exaggerated praise. Truthfulness and honesty were traits of character that predominated in his public and private life and when he was elected to public office courage to stand for what was right marked his entire career from the legislature to the presidential office:

No one realized better than Lincoln the responsibility that he must assume when he went to Washington. Just previous to his election he gave utterance to these words: "I know there is a God, and that he hates injustice and slavery. I see the storm coming and I know His hand is in it. If He has a place and work for me—and I think He has—I believe that I am ready. I am nothing, but truth is everything. I know that I am right because I know that liberty is right, for Christ teaches it and Christ is God. I have told them that a house divided against itself cannot stand and Christ and reason say the same. Douglas doesn't care whether slavery is voted up or down, but God cares, and humanity cares, and I care, and with God's help I shall not fail."

In the period of four months that elapsed between his election and inauguration he was obliged to remain powerless and in helpless anguish and watch the development of plans for the disruption of the government.

Upon him would fall the duty of saving the government which its enemies were engaged in destroying. Every hour new difficulties were added to the burden that he must finally assume. The north was stripped of its weapons of defence by the traitors in Buchanan's cabinet; the south was furnished with the supplies that would be needed in the event of a contest and state after state had announced their intention of secession. With what anguish he noted these developments is best described in his own language: "I have read upon my knees the story of Gethsemane, where the Son of God prayed in vain that the cup of bitterness might pass from him. I am in the Garden of Gethsemane now and my cup of bitterness is full to overflowing."

Lincoln and the United States, the Man and the Land of Destiny. The lives of each of them are linked inseparately together during the most dramatic period in our history. Through the inspiration of Lincoln's teachings the Union and the Constitution was saved and across that Constitution there was written in the blood of 400,000 souls an assurance that liberty and freedom should be granted to all.

In his Gettysburg address Lincoln had remarked: "The world will little note what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here." The world, however, can never forget the teachings of Abraham Lincoln. "He being dead yet speaketh." As the crucifixion and resurrection of the Christ was the triumph of immorality over death, so too that supreme sacrifice on the altar of the nation was the everlasting canonization of Lincoln in the hearts of the American people. And as that soul wended its flight upward to meet its God, of whom he had continually besought divine guidance, must it not have received that divine benediction, "Well done good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord."

THE OTHER SPEAKERS.

Ex-Senator Frost was the next speaker, and he was followed by Mr. Lawrence J. Cummings, who spoke on "Lincoln and the Newspaper Fraternity," telling in a brief manner what the newspapermen did in the life of the martyred president. Senator James H. McKinley was then introduced and in the course of his remarks partly in answer to Mayor Howe, said that he thought that the governor was wrong in regard to the license bill. He said that he was against the license bill and said that he did not think it would ever reach the general court.

The last speaker of the evening was Frank E. Dunbar, Esq., who was introduced by Toastmaster Walsh as "The man who is giving me a good deal of trouble at the present time."

THE WAR SITUATION IN THE FAR EAST

RUSSIA:—The Japanese Kovitch has given me a Blackeyeski

MATRIMONIAL

The marriage of Mr. Ernest Perron of this city and Mrs. Malvina Janson of Fall River, took place Wednesday at St. Anne's rectory, in that city, Rev. Fr. Dallaire of the Dominican order performing the ceremony. Mr. Prosper Cossette of Lowell was witness for the groom and the bride's witness was her brother, Mr. Ferdinand Guilet of New Bedford. After the ceremony the bridal party repaired to Boston where a wedding dinner was served at the Hotel Miensett. The party then came to Lowell where a reception was held at the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. Oliver Perron, Moody street.

The choir Rossini of which the groom is a member, was present at the reception and rendered several entertaining selections.

Mr. and Mrs. Perron will live at 45 Hamlet street, Fall River.

SHEDD—HINDLE.

The marriage of Harry L. Shedd, a well known resident of South Lowell, and Miss Maud Hindle of this city took place Wednesday evening at the bride's home, 72 South Whipple street.

The parlor where the nuptial rites were solemnized by Rev. N. W. Matthews of the Gorham Street Primitive Methodist church, was beautifully decorated with rich and rare exotics. Preceding the wedding ceremony, and as the bridal cortege approached the parlor to plight their nuptial vows the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march were heard, Miss Maud Barber presiding at the piano. A large number of guests were present from Lowell, Boston and Medford. A delectable wedding collation was served and an entertainment of varied character added to the pleasures of what proved a joyous evening. A profusion of costly wedding gifts were presented to the happy couple. Mr. and Mrs. Shedd took the 9.30 p. m. train on their bridal journey and on their return will reside at 275 Talbot street, South Lowell.

ENO—FLINT.

Mr. Odavus A. Eno of 72 C street and Miss Ella G. Flint of 210 Shaw street were united in marriage on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 4.30 p. m. by Rev. George F. Kanngott at his residence, 296 Liberty street.

LURVEY—DURGIN.

A pretty wedding took place Tuesday evening in Dracut when Ray Lurvey and Miss Gladys Durgin were married at the home of the bride's parents in Stone street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. I. Kelley, pastor of the Centre Congregational church. Mr. and Mrs. Lurvey received many beautiful and substantial wedding gifts. They will live in Dracut.

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Seven of the Democratic Presidential Possibilities

GROVER CLEVELAND has never been particularly free in talking of his plans, and just now he has the politicians guessing as to whether or not he is really a candidate for president. He was three times the nominee, he and Mr. Bryan having been the only Democratic candidates in twenty years. Mr. Cleveland is sixty-six years of age and lives in New Jersey, the state in which he was born. Though he received only an academic education, he is now a lecturer at Princeton. He is the only living ex-president of the United States.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN is the exact antithesis of Mr. Cleveland, not only in his views, but in personal characteristics. He is as quick as Cleveland is deliberate, as open as Cleveland is reserved, as witty and brilliant as Cleveland is serious and phlegmatic. The two men only resemble in both having inordinate wills and in both having been supreme leaders of their party. Mr. Bryan is not yet forty-four years old and lives farther west than any of the group of possible Democratic presidential nominees.

ARTHUR PUE GORMAN has been mentioned for the presidency for a score of years, yet has never received more than a few scattering votes in a national convention. He began public life as a page in the United States senate, the body in which afterward he was to play an important part. He was born in Maryland in 1839 and has been almost constantly in public life since thirteen years of age. He is quiet in demeanor, but a master tactician. Like Mr. Cleveland, he talks little of his intentions.

ALTON BROOKS PARKER is chief justice of the New York court of appeals and the only New York Democrat that has led a state ticket to victory in ten years. His residence is at Esopus, N. Y. He was born in 1852. Judge Parker declined the position of first assistant postmaster general, afterward held by Adlai E. Stevenson. He has been delegate to state and national conventions and was at one time chairman of the Democratic state executive committee. He has been on the bench for nearly twenty years.

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST is the youngest of the presidential candidates, having been born in California in 1863. He is the son of United States Senator George F. Hearst and of Phebe Hearst, noted for her benefactions to educational and charitable institutions. William R. Hearst is best known as proprietor of the New York Journal, the Chicago American and the San Francisco Examiner. He is at present serving his first term in congress. He is also president of the National League of Democratic Clubs.

RICHARD OLNEY is sixty-eight, the exact age of the oldest president, William Henry Harrison, at the time of inauguration. Mr. Olney had held only one public office—member of the Massachusetts legislature—before being made Mr. Cleveland's attorney general, from which place he was afterward promoted to the state portfolio. He is a distinguished lawyer, holding the degree of LL. D. from Harvard, Brown and Yale. He is the farthest east of the list, being regarded as the New England candidate. His home is in Boston.

FRANCIS MARION COCKRELL is one year older than Mr. Olney, having been born in Missouri in 1834. He was a Confederate brigadier general during the civil war and held various important offices before being elected to the United States senate, in which body he has served for nearly thirty consecutive years. One of his great sources of popularity is that he writes personal answers to nearly every letter he receives and is acquainted with almost every Democratic voter and every Democratic voter's wife in the state of Missouri.

The Men Who Control the Situation In the Far East

IN olden days certain men or women, as the case might be, were referred to as the power behind the throne. In modern times this power has emerged from the shadow and is now in front of the throne. In other words, the people and their representatives have increased, while monarchs have decreased. However marked the individuality of the king and however unlimited his theoretical power, government has become such a complicated affair that he must depend upon others to look after the details and to advise him as to the conditions and requirements of the various departments. It is impossible for him to meet the people directly or to be in personal touch with all the parts of a vast empire. It is not difficult for his trusted ministers to warp his mind, to influence him by advice and to gain larger and larger concessions of power on the plea of saving him from the annoyance of details and in the thousand and one other ways that can be found by the clever man trained in the arts of statecraft and diplomacy. Not many of the hereditary monarchs possess particular

MARQUIS YAMAGATA.

intellectual acumen or great force of character. But the ministers who rise from the ranks must have these qualities in a supreme degree. They are subject to the law of intellectual competition—which, by the way, is quite the fiercest sort of competition—from which he is shielded because of his birth. Thus does it so often happen that the ministers are the real government, while the king is only the symbol; they keen, alert, ambitious; he indulgent, easily swayed and inefficient. The European cabinet officer is the nominal servant, but the real master, of his king.

While the emperors of Russia and Japan are neither of them so completely overshadowed by their supposed secretaries as are some of their royal cousins in other lands, they have not entirely escaped from the eclipse into which monarchy is being cast by the ever growing figure of democracy. When we think of the government of Russia we see the czar, of course, the amiable and almost timid czar in the person of Nicholas, but we also see the cabinet, a palpable, forceful thing. Here is the real Russia, flesh of its flesh and blood of its blood, relentless, even brutal, but always powerful and always for aggrandizement, the very genius of things Muscovite expressed in a governmental machine.

In like manner the thought of Japan suggests Ito. Even when he is not the head of the government, which is the case at present, it is still the person-

COUNT KATSURA.

ality of Ito that symbolizes to the western mind the modern, progressive island empire. We are coming to understand that the mikado is a force and in no little degree directs the course of his government. But when historians are looking for the man that is emblematic of the era of the awakening of Japan they will see not Mutsuhito, who ruled by the alleged divine right of birth, but Marquis Ito, who ruled by the real divine right of genius.

Those writers who delight in comparisons and who really detract from the character of their subject by bringing him into too close proximity with some other overshadowing personality have dubbed Ito "the Gladstone of Japan" or "the Bismarck of Japan." He is neither. He is of a type to himself. There is no statesman in the western world like him. He did for Japan a service that in the very nature of the case could have no parallel on this side of the earth and a greater service so far as the destiny of his people is concerned than it would be possible for an American or European statesman to render. Ito stands alone. He is big enough to carry his own name. He needs no borrowed glamour. He is Ito, whom President Hadley of Yale recently pronounced one of the world's three living greatest men, an opinion with which the average Jap thoroughly agrees, except that he would not in-

MARQUIS ITO.

clude the other two. In the peace negotiations between China and Japan he showed himself a greater man than Li Hung Chang at every point of the diplomatic game. It was the interference of the European powers that forced Ito to give up the Liautong peninsula. Against their combined force even his adroitness was powerless, and he was driven to a concession which finally undermined his influence in Japan and eventuated in his retiring from office in 1901.

Hirobumi Ito when a young man belonged to the Samurai, from the lower grades of which he sprang. At first he bitterly opposed the western innovations even then beginning to make head in the country. So violent was the opposition of an order of young men to which he belonged that he, with others, was under the ban of the government. It was then that he determined to leave the country, which he did by shipping on an English vessel, upon which he was forced to work as a common sailor. He arrived in London with scarcely a dollar, but was never in actual want, as sometimes has been represented. It was his residence in London which revolutionized his ideas and sent him home a convert to western ideas. He was still the conservative in action, however, and it was this conservatism, connected with his prac-

GENERAL TERAUCHI.

tical knowledge of the west and its customs, that made him the power he afterward became in the government of his country. He wrote the constitution and in reality is the creator of the new Japan.

Personally he is kindly and shrewd, gentle and persuasive, diplomatic and tactful, yet possessing a mastery of men and affairs such as marks the man born to rule. He is about sixty-four years of age, of medium stature, with high forehead and a face seamed and marked by a life of intense thought and action. Though a private citizen, he must still be reckoned as foremost among those that direct the course of affairs in Japan.

There is one other man not directly connected with the government who has great influence in Japanese affairs. He is the first soldier of the empire, the hero of the war with China, field marshal and commander in chief of the Japanese armies, Marquis Yoritomo Yamagata. He is probably the most popular man in the empire, has frequently been minister of war and premier, is one of the most trusted advisers of the emperor and has participated with distinction in at least three wars. He first served in the army when a boy of twenty, distinguishing himself by leading 2,000 men against 20,000 and repulsing an attack on his native province. He was second in command in the war of restoration and the next year was made premier. In the more recent war with China he was in command at the battle of Pingyang, the decisive land engagement of that struggle.

Marquis Yamagata has been in America several times. The first visit was in 1869, when he spent a year and a half on this continent and in Europe in a study of western civilization. The last time he was on his way as the envoy of the mikado to the coronation of the czar and received distinguished attentions in the chief American and European cities.

General Yamagata is a very quiet man, small and kindly in appearance. He is really the creator of the Japanese army, which he has brought to its present high state of efficiency. He is about the same age as Marquis Ito and, like that great statesman, was of humble birth.

The Japanese cabinet is composed of the following: Premier and minister of the interior, General Count Taro Katsura; foreign affairs, Baron Jutaro Komura; war, General Masatake Terauchi; marine, Admiral Baron Gombei Yamamoto; agriculture and commerce, Baron Keigo Kiyoura; finance, Baron Arasuke Sone; justice, Keichoku Hatano; communications, Kanetake Oura; education, Yuzuru Kubota.

Count Taro Katsura, the premier and minister of the interior, is one of the field marshals of the army and distinguished himself in the war with China, when he was in command of the Third division. He was educated in the German military schools and entered the Japanese army in 1862. He participated in the war of restoration, after which for a number of years he was military attache of the Japanese embassy at Berlin. From 1886 to 1891 he was vice minister of war, in which position he was instrumental in achieving a number of governmental reforms. He has been a member of the cabinet in one capacity or another since 1898 and premier since September, 1901.

Baron Jutaro Komura, minister of foreign affairs, who sent the recent Japanese ultimatum to Russia, was educated in America, having graduated from the law department of Harvard in 1877. He then took postgraduate work for a year, after which he entered the law office of ex-Attorney General Davenport in New York city. There he studied international law for a year, then went to Rochester for another year's study in the office of ex-Commissioner Smith of the United States court of claims. After further study in Europe he returned to Japan, where he entered the department of judiciary, from which in three years he went to the diplomatic service. He was secretary of legation at Peking until called home by the war with China. He organized the civil government in Manchuria and afterward was minister resident to Korea. His most important post, however, prior to that which he is now holding was that of minister to the United States at the time of the Spanish-American war. Baron Komura is about fifty-one years of age.

General Masatake Terauchi, Japanese minister of war, studied in the German universities forty years ago. He entered the army upon his return to Japan, in which he served in various

ADMIRAL ALEXEIEFF.

minor capacities until a short time before the war with China, when he was made a member of the board of strategy of the army, in which capacity he served throughout that conflict. He was made minister of war in September, 1901. General Terauchi, who is about fifty-eight years of age, is known as an able tactician.

Rear Admiral Baron Gombei Yamamoto, minister of marine, has also distinguished himself as a strategist rather than in active service. He comes from the Satsuma clan, as do so many of the other Japanese leaders of the present day. He was educated in England and was military attache of the Berlin embassy about twenty-two years ago. He was vice head of the naval board of strategy during the war with China. Prior to that time he was a colonel in the navy. He is very popular and a comparatively young man, being about fifty-two.

Another important naval man for Japan is Yuko Ito, "the little Ito," the admiral who commanded at the Yalu fight and at Port Arthur.

Russia has no statesman of overshadowing fame like Ito and no great national military hero like Yamagata, yet few European nations are served by more able ministers. In the current crisis, however, the man of the hour is not in the cabinet, but is the viceroy of the far east, the personal representative of the czar, the ruler of Siberia and commander of her land and sea forces, Admiral Alexeieff. Russia contains few greater fighters than he, yet most of his victories have been victories of peace. Twice he has practically averted war, once when he held in check the bluff old sea fighter, Admiral Tyrtoff, present minister of marine, and prevented him from attacking the Japanese fleet at Port Arthur

COUNT LAMSDORFF.

until the war cloud blew over, and again he did signal service for the cause of peace when he refused to attack a drunken English officer who ordered an Indian regiment to tear down the Russian flag and seize a section of the Tientsin railway.

Strangely enough, Admiral Alexeieff got his start in America. He was in San Francisco when word came that war between Russia and England was only a matter of hours. It was then that he bought eight commerce destroyers to scour the Atlantic ocean and did it with such expedition that he was made a naval captain and soon after an admiral. Afterward he became aide-de-camp general to the czar. It was about three years ago that he was made viceroy in the east. He captured the Taku forts, relieved Tientsin and rescued Admiral Seymour. He is bluff and hearty, a man of good sense and universally popular.

The Russian cabinet proper is made up as follows: Premier, M. de Witte; foreign affairs, Count Lamsdorff; finance, M. Pleske; interior, M. de Plehve; war, General Kuropatkin; marine, Vice Admiral Tyrtoff; justice, M. Muravieff; public instruction, M. Sengor; public works, M. Kelikoff; agriculture, M. Yermaloff.

For years M. Sergius de Witte was regarded as the most powerful man in Russia. He still is the head of the cabinet, but no longer is finance minister, the post in which he gained his fame. His father was of German origin and belonged to the lower middle class. Young De Witte began life as assistant station master at an obscure railroad station. It was here that he when temporarily in charge disobeyed an order of the war minister concerning the transportation of troops and—saved the troops. This act of insubordi-

M. DE PLEHVE.

nation, which might have sent him to Siberia, really started him toward the head of the cabinet. From this humble start his rise was rapid, though stormy. He instituted reforms and became one of the great finance ministers of Europe.

Count Lamsdorff, like De Witte, is of German origin, but his family is as noble as that of the premier is lowly. For thirty years Lamsdorff has been in the foreign office and finally went to its head. He is probably in this crisis the most powerful man in the cabinet. He is very old and is said not to be a success socially in spite of his high family connections, but he knows the game of diplomacy. His labors in behalf of peace are historic.

M. de Plehve, the minister of the interior, is the man especially hated by the nihilists. He is spoken of in even St. Petersburg as a reactionary. It was charged that he was instrumental in inciting the Kishineff massacre. He is the head of the Russian police system, and those who hate him say he is the most merciless and the most powerful man in the empire. He is a Finn, yet has relentlessly pursued the Finns. He is somber, stolid and laborious, is past sixty-five and has been in the service of the state forty years.

General Alexei Kuropatkin served in campaigns for over thirty years, though now but a few years past fifty. He was in Algeria and saw hard fighting. He

GENERAL KUROPATKIN.

was chief of staff to the famous General Skobeloff in the Russo-Turkish war. Then he went to central Asia, where his career reads like a romance. Forced marches and fierce fighting with half savage tribes would fill its every page. It was here that he became the stern war lord. He is always and everywhere the soldier and one of the world's best writers on military subjects. He was appointed minister of war in 1898.

It was Admiral Tyrtoff, the Russian naval minister, who keenly thirsted to whip the Japs some years ago. The fleets were facing each other, and the old sea fighter was only waiting for final word from St. Petersburg. At last it came, a three word message reading, "Go with God." Tyrtoff was for going just then, but Admiral Alexeieff was the supreme power in the east and believed there was still some possibility of peace. He commanded that no movement be made until the morrow, and then came word from St. Petersburg that the threatened war was off. Tyrtoff was off also, for he wired to the home office, "Go with God yourself." Alexeieff afterward jokingly remarked that it was well the telegraph did not carry the tone of voice in which the message was dictated.

J. A. EDGERTON.

HOW ONE FORTUNE WAS MADE.

In the South African diamond mines the rough gems had until recently to be separated from the hard earth and other mineral substances by hand. The whole mass was dried and softened in the air and then shoveled into washing machines, where the soluble earth was removed. Among the employees in the sorting room was a young boy who one day noticed a diamond and a garnet, both in the rough, on the end of a small board. He tilted the board, and the garnet rolled off, but the diamond stuck fast. Looking more closely, he saw that the board was greasy. This gave him an idea. He got a larger board and tried several kinds of minerals. Invariably the other stones rolled off with a shake or two, while even a thin coating of grease kept all the diamonds in their places. Then this wideawake boy went to work and invented a machine that is now successfully doing the work of diamond picking for all the South African mines, and, needless to say, the young inventor has made an independent fortune just because he kept his eyes open and his wits about him that day when he first noticed the difference in the "sticking qualities" of the gems.

WHERE A NAME COUNTED.

William Tell's existence is still firmly believed in even in these modern, skeptical days by the dwellers on the borders of the lake of Lucerne. They point to the Tell chapel in the "narrow way" at Kussnacht, where Tell shot the tyrant Gessler, and the sister building by the lake side at Tell's Platte, where the popular hero escaped from the Austrians' power, as proof of the reality of the Swiss patriot, and a comical sign of their belief was lately given to some tourists. A party was crossing from Brunnen to visit Grutli, where the Swiss swore to free their country, when one of the passengers addressed a companion as Baron von Gessler. The boatman who was rowing stopped, horror stricken, and cried out, "I would not have a Gessler in my boat for a hundred francs!" So he brought the boat round, rowed back to Brunnen and turned out Herr Gessler and his party in spite of all their protests.

A HABITANT'S LETTER.

This letter was written by a French Canadian to a bicycle firm in Montreal:

mister T. J. Jones and compance, Notre Dame street, Montreal, P. Q.:

Dear Sir: I receev de bicykel witch I buy from you alrite but for why you dont send me no saddel, what is de use of de bicykel when She don't have no saddel. I am loose to me my kustomer sure ting by no having de sadd1 and dats not very pleasure for Me. wat is de matter wit you mister Jones and compance. is not my moneys so good like anneder mans. you loose to me my trade and I am verce anger for dat an now I tells to you dat you are fools an no good mister T. J. Jones and compance. I send to you back at wunce your bicykel tomorro for shure beltawen you are such afectishness peoples. yours respectfullee,

J. P. ST. DENIS.

P. S.—since I rite dis letter I find de saddel in de box. excuse to me.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.48	6.30	6.00	7.04
6.22	7.40	6.30	7.28
a6.39	7.20	7.55	8.55
a6.42	7.33	8.25	9.01
a7.01	8.02	e9.00	9.87
ea7.24	8.10	e10.00	10.37
a7.31	8.50	a10.17	11.34
7.46	8.35	e11.30	12.07
8.50	9.40	12.00	12.46
9.40	10.40	e1.00	1.37
11.00	12.03	2.00	3.01
ea11.43	12.25	e3.00	3.37
a12.14	1.00	a3.47	5.00
1.40	2.10	4.14	5.30
ea1.58	2.30	e5.00	5.37
a3.03	4.20	5.38	6.25
a*3.47	4.30	a5.47	6.54
4.25	5.30	6.14	7.30
ea5.22	6.15	e7.30	8.08
a5.44	7.00	e8.30	9.09
ca6.22	7.05	10.30	11.34
ea7.29	8.10	11.20	12.29

SUNDAY TRAINS

a5.39	7.50	9.00	10.00
a7.24	8.10	1.00	1.57
8.45	9.49	5.00	5.59
a9.20	10.15	e7.30	8.08
a4.25	5.30	e8.30	9.08
a5.58	7.00	9.00	10.02

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.50	8.00	7.30	8.54
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.22
9.25	10.39	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.08
12.05	1.32	2.15	3.10
12.45	1.57	3.35	4.55
2.30	3.35	4.39	5.30
3.30	4.10	6.01	7.05
3.55	4.94	6.35	7.48
5.00	5.43	9.39	10.40
6.15	7.15	B11.15	12.16
7.00	8.06		
9.25	10.30		

SUNDAY TRAINS

8.15	9.27	8.00	9.17
12.05	1.24	12.00	1.02
4.05	5.18	5.00	6.27
5.30	6.55		
8.00	9.05		

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BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Dr. L. L. Mial of this city played two games in the national amateur billiard championship tournament yesterday afternoon and evening, and won both. In the afternoon he defeated Arthur Marcott, the Canadian champion, 300 to 229 and last night he outplayed Charles F. Conklin of Chicago, 300 to 267.

MARDI GRAS CARNIVAL.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 12.—The Mardi Gras carnival opened last night with the parade of the Knights of Momus, who represented visions of the world's vanity. It was one of the handsomest displays witnessed here. The city was brilliantly illuminated and already contains one of the greatest crowds in its history.

JIM PARR DEFEATED

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., Feb. 12.—Jim Parr, the English champion wrestler, was defeated last night by Lundin. Lundin won the first fall in 25 minutes, 30 seconds, the third and deciding fall in 11 minutes, 30 seconds. Parr got the second fall in 37 minutes, 30 seconds.

EDISON'S BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The American Institute of Electrical Engineers celebrated the birthday of Thomas A. Edison and the 25th anniversary of the successful introduction and development of the incandescent lamp at the annual dinner last night in the Waldorf Astoria. Thomas A. Edison was the guest of honor and about 700 members and guests of the institute were present.

T. Comerford Martin acted as toastmaster. He introduced Mr. Edison, reciting the achievements of the "wizard".

Mr. Edison, in accordance with his invariable rule, declined to speak, but telegraphed his response. A. B. Chandler, president of the Postal Telegraph company, "reciting".

It was also transmitted by the Marconi system across the hall. The response was then read to the assembled company.

Congratulatory messages were received from President Roosevelt and Signor Marconi, while eminent electricians and other sent greetings.

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INSANE TEACHER

Killed Her Mother and Herself

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 12.—Miss Hulda Nelson, school teacher of Fort Dodge, Iowa, in a moment of insanity, brained her mother with a hatchet while the mother was sleeping and then jumped into a cistern, drowning herself. The young woman tied three flat irons about her neck before she leaped into the cistern.

HARMON ROBBED

BOSTON MAN ATTACKED BY TWO THUGS.

BOSTON, Feb. 12—Horace M. Harmon, a Portland street restaurant proprietor, was knocked down on the street last night by two men and robbed of $1050. Harmon yesterday sold his restaurant at 20 Portland street and soon after he left the place last night he was followed by two men. One of them struck him on top of the head, smashing his hat over his eyes and dazing him. Harmon fell to the ground and before he could rise his assailant ripped open his clothing and took a wallet containing the money from an inside pocket. By the time Harmon rose to his feet the robbers were out of sight.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

"The Social Whirl" was the attraction at the Academy of Music yesterday afternoon and evening and good sized audiences attended the different performances. The piece is without doubt one of the strongest comedies on the stage today and is a sure cure for the blues. If people do not wish to laugh they had better stay away from the theatre during the remainder of the week, but those who wish to see a roaring, side-splitting comedy full of perplexible situations they had better join in the line to the box office and purchase their tickets for one of the performances. The company is sure to please you, for it is strong and well balanced, each member of the cast having his part well in hand.

The leading part is taken by Edward R. Strout, who portrays Dick Wilson, the young man who robbed his rich uncle of a bride, and who is in a barrel of trouble until he finally owns up the mean trick he played. The part of Cora, Dick's wife, is taken by Miss Agnes Parson, who is not on to the game played by her husband and her perplexity in the carrying on of her husband makes her part a highly amusing one.

Carl Cunnigham, who plays the part of Obadiah Dawson, Dick's uncle, throws out comedy every minute he is on the stage, his rough manner and sympathy for his nephew, who, he thinks, married an old woman, convulsing the audience with laughter. James Coveney makes a fine Thomas Coleman. By the way of no harm Thomas married for money and as usual got an old fogy of a woman who made life miserable for him, and despite the fact that she had plenty of the worldly goods, Tom was not so fortunate as to receive as much as he would like.

The other characters in the comedy are played by efficient players.

The scene in the first act is at Tom's country home at Nahant, Mass., where poor henpecked Tom is getting all and more than is coming to him from his aged wife. Dick's uncle turns up and as Dick married the girl his uncle wished to wed and the latter knew nothing of it, there was a little excitement when the old man blew in from Japan. By lies and different forms of strategy Dick succeeds in keeping his uncle from seeing his wife, but his troubles increase and misery after misery turns up until Dick, sick of the game he is playing, owns up that he married Cora, and the matter is ironed out to the satisfaction of everyone.

For specialties Miss Alice Thornton appeared under the title of champion buck and wing dancer of the United States, without competition. She did a remarkable whirligig with her pedal extremities. Cunningham and Coveney incarnated the latest comedy in their sketch. They "came with all the London style of Coster characters and pastimes," and jokes from across the water were dropped over the lights. Hall and Parsons, the latter an accomplished singer, entertained musically and with dancing.

Matinees today and tomorrow; also evening performances.

THE CASTO THEATRE

Tomorrow is Children's Day at the Casto theatre, and those intending to visit the theatre should order seats at once, to avoid the rush. The race between horse and man will please and electrify the young folks just as much as it does their elders, for it is the most exciting event ever placed on the local stage, and it will probably be the only time that the school children will have the opportunity of witnessing an event of this kind. The spectacle of a horse running at topmost speed and a bicyclist pedalling at record-breaking time, is a sight all want to see. Harper, Desmond and Bailey will especially please the youngsters, and Paul Barnes with his merry stories will be a favorite. The Four American Trumpeters in their military musical act, will score a hit, as the young ladies are very attractive and are excellent musicians. The remainder of the program is exceptionally well balanced. Green Trading Stamps are given free with orchestra tickets.

BOWLING NEWS.

The Highland club bowling team found the Zophers an easy proposition last night and in a game on the Highland club alleys the team representing the club defeated their opponents by a score of 1218 to 1137. E. Libby and Wing did the heavy rolling for the victorious team, while Lee carried off the honors for his team. The score:

HIGHLANDS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
E. Libby	83	92	89	261
Rimels	82	84	83	249
Wing	91	90	50	232
Lazelle	85	68	91	244
Stevens	56	70	72	198
Total	400	413	406	1218

ZOPHERS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
Zopher	89	68	75	232
Sherburne	85	69	72	226
Osterhout	62	81	71	214
Lee	84	87	68	239
McKenzie	80	64	82	226
Total	400	369	368	1137

ORIENTS VICTORIOUS.

The Orients defeated the Ramblers in the Recreation bowling league contest in Les Miserables alleys last night by a score of 1209 to 1196. Kelley was high single and high total man for the Orients and Simpson who was high total man for the Ramblers was tied with Rigby in high singles. The score:

ORIENTS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
Kelley	85	89	90	264
Kerrigan	69	83	73	225
Laman	76	77	88	241
Galvin	74	77	86	237
Slavin	71	89	82	242
Total	375	415	419	1209

RAMBLERS.

	1	2	3	Tl.
Marsden	86	84	71	241
Simpson	83	81	90	254
Rigby	74	90	84	248
McGrail	75	75	75	225
O'Brien	75	75	75	225
Total	393	405	398	1196

It is more profitable to advertise honorably and fail in the attempt to get business, than to advertise dishonorably and succeed for a little while.

SENATOR HANNA

Said to be in a Precarious Condition

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Senator Hanna's condition is very serious, if not precarious. His physicians realize this and are watching the case with the greatest concern. The senator was considerably weaker yesterday and as a result his pulse had run up at 6 o'clock to 104 pulsations to the minute. The increased weakness is the direct result of the fever, as the official bulletin shows that there are no complications. The physicians hope that the fever has reached its worst stage, but whether or not it has they declare they are unable to say. They are simply waiting for developments and realize the patient has lost ground the last two days. Stimulants had been given the senator during the day and with beneficial results. He rested well during the afternoon and retained the nourishment given him during the past 24 hours. This latter feature of the case is encouraging to the physicians. Extraordinary precautions are being taken to insure quiet in and around the hotel so that the senator may get all the natural sleep possible. The motormen of the street cars almost a block away have been requested not to ring their gongs, as their sudden clanging seemed to irritate the senator.

After the evening visit of the physicians Senator Hanna slept for about an hour and a half which considerably refreshed him. Dr. Carter remains at the hotel all the time, so as to be on hand in case there is a call for him.

The following bulletin on Senator Hanna's condition was issued last night:

"At 8 p. m. Senator Hanna was resting quietly. His temperature when taken at 6 o'clock was 102 2-10; pulse, 104; respiration 28. There has been no change in his general condition since the morning bulletin was issued. He retains all the nourishment given him for the past 24 hours. There are no complications.

(Signed) "RIXEY,
"CARTER."

LENTEN REGULATIONS

RULES FOR FASTING AND ABSTINENCE DURING LENT.

Following is a copy of the Lenten regulations forwarded to all the Roman Catholic pastors of Lowell to be read at the different churches of that denomination at all of the masses Sunday next:

All the days of Lent are fast days of obligation.

The following dispensations are granted for this diocese by the authority of the Holy See:

Then se of flesh meat is allowed during Lent, once a day, on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturdays, the second and last Saturdays excepted.

Lard and fat rendered from any kind of meat may be used in preparing permitted food.

A small quantity of bread, about two ounces, together with a cup of tea, coffee or chocolate, is permitted in the morning.

A collation, not exceeding the fourth part of an ordinary meal, or about eight ounces, is allowed in the evening.

The use of eggs, butter, cheese and milk is permitted in the evening collation, and also at the principal meal on the days on which the use of flesh meat is forbidden.

The principal meal may be taken in the evening and the collation in the morning, should circumstances so require.

The use of flesh meat and fish at the same meal is not allowed even on Sundays.

On Sundays there is neither fasting nor abstinence.

Persons exempt from fasting are permitted to use flesh meat more than once on days on which the use of flesh meat is allowed.

The following persons are exempt from fasting, but not from abstinence:

All under 21 years of age and those of advanced age.

The sick and those that cannot fast without great injury to their health.

Women during pregnancy or while nursing infants.

All those whose duties are of a very laborious of exhausting nature.

By virtue of the indult of the Holy See of March 15, 1895, working people and their families are allowed the use of flesh meat once a day in this diocese on all days of the year except Fridays, Ash Wednesday, the Wednesday and Saturday of holy week and the vigil of Christmas. Those who avail themselves of this dispensation are exhorted to perform some other act of mortification, such as abstining from intoxicating drinks, etc.

The time for fulfilling the Easter precept of holy communion extends from the first Sunday in Lent, Feb. 21, to Trinity Sunday, May 29.

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Children like it. Older people like it. It agrees with everyone. It gives health and happiness. It is the long sought "LUCK" that brings the sunshine of perfect digestion. We have full control of this excellent "cereal" in Lowell. To thoroughly introduce it we make the following offer:

2 Packages for 25 Cents

And with every 25c purchase $2.00 worth of S. & H. Green Trading Stamps free.

Once try it and you'll always buy it.

SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION in our basement, where we serve this dainty food with pure cream and sugar.

4 PHOTOGRAPHS FOR 50c

These photos are made in book form on fine embossed cardboard. The size is 4½x3 inches. The cover is linen finish. The work finely executed. All-in-all it is a very unusual offering.

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We made arrangements to have our "oxfords" come in early, consequently they are here ready for your inspection.

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Gibson ties and slightly narrower toes prevail, although the broad Mannish patterns are still in evidence. We cordially invite your inspection, and will be glad to hear your criticism concerning them.

The Price is $2.50 and $3 a Pair

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AT 25c—Colored Lawns and Percales, worth 50c.

AT 49c—White Madras, Plain Batiste, Striped Lawns and Ginghams, worth from $1.00 to $1.25.

AT 79c—White Cheviots, White Piques and Colored Cheviots, worth from $1.39 to $2.00.

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AT $1.49—All kinds and styles, Cheviots, Madras and Fancy Vestings, worth from $3.00 to $5.00.

FOUR STRONG ITEMS FROM THE

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32 IN. MADRAS, 12½c YARD—Handsome patterns, short lengths of 25c goods.

ECLIPSE FLANNELS, 9c YARD—Yard wide, always sells for 15c yard.

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CHILDREN'S HOSE, 6c PAIR—Heavy cotton, sizes 6 to 9½, tan color, 1 and 1 rib, always 10c and 12½c pair.

INFANTS' HOSE, 15c PAIR—Ribbed Cashmere, silk heel and toe; white, blue and black; always 25c pair.

WOMEN'S HOSE, 10c PAIR—Fleeced lined and heavy cotton; some have white feet; always 12½c pair.

WOMEN'S WOOL HOSE, 19c PAIR—Heavy rib, always 25c pair.

18 SWEET ORANGES FOR 25c

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MEN'S NEGLIGEE SHIRTS, 49c—Separate cuffs. Just as good as gold, but last year's patterns. They sold for $1.00; now they'll go quick at 49c.

THREE EXTRA VALUES IN THE

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44 IN. BRILLIANTINE, 39c YARD—Two shades of blue, also black. Regular 60c goods.

52 IN. MOHAIR, 59c YARD—Two shades of blue, also grey and black. Regularly 79c yard.

27 IN. PONGEE SILK, 39c YARD—Natural white and black.

25c WOMEN'S GOLF GLOVES

10 Cents Pair

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A LONG SWEET KISS

Will be given to every customer who visits our candy Demonstration Saturday. We have secured the services of NEW ENGLAND'S LIGHTNING DEMONSTRATOR, who will give sweet kisses to every visitor.

These kisses are made upon the spot and you get them fresh from the hook.

The flavorings are honey and molasses. 5c, 10c and 20c packages.

DEMONSTRATION REAR OF MILLINERY DEPT.

A SPLENDID PETTICOAT

For 98 Cents

We want you to see it; it is a fine

Mercerized Glass Cloth, quite heavy, with deep plaited flounce and dust ruffle. The sizes are full and not skimped in any way.

SPRING SHOWING OF

WASH FABRICS

Our new spring line is ready for your inspection. It is complete in every detail. Price range and style range has never been broader or more representative. Manufacturers both at home and abroad have produced some exquisite things for the summer dress, prettier, daintier than ever. COTTON VOILE SEEMS TO OCCUPY THE SEAT OF FAVORITISM, although other new weaves vie with it for 1st place. The prices are very reasonable. The price of cotton seemingly has no effect whatever, for as far as we can judge the

Showing is even more reasonable in price than same quality of material last year.

The Prices Range from........ 12 1-2c to 50c yard

BARGAINS IN

FLANNELETTE GOODS

Children's Skirts, worth 19c. Now........ 10c

Children's Dresses, worth 49c. Now........ 25c

Children's Gowns, worth 39c. Now........ 25c

Women's Long Skirts, worth 49c. Now........ 33c

Women's Short Skirts, worth 25c. Now........ 19c

Women's Short Skirts, worth 49c. Now........ 39c

2 BARGAINS IN MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

WOMEN'S DRAWERS, WORTH 25c, NOW 19c—5-inch ruffle, trimmed with five rows of fine tucks, hemstitched edge.

WOMEN'S ROBES, WORTH 49c, NOW 39c—High neck, yoke trimmed with hamburg insertion and tucking, full sizes.

A FINE WRAPPER

For 79 Cents

Good quality Percale. 13-inch flounce, yoke back and front. 4-inch ruffle finishes yoke all around, fancy braid trimmings, good generous sizes. We sell it for 98c; however it is actually worth $1.25.

Today and Tomorrow you choose for 79c.

SOME LOW PRICES IN THE

JEWELRY SECTION

BELT BROOCH, 10c—Black, Pearl, Oxidized and Grey; always 25c.
HAT PINS, 5c—Black and fancy stone settings; worth 10c.
STICK PINS, 5c—A very large assortment, very pretty patterns.
BROOCH PINS, 15c—A score of styles; always 25c.
HAIR BARRETTS AND COMBS, 10c—In shell, many styles; worth 25 cents.

500 SOFA PILLOWS

At 25c Each

Sateen covered, 18x18 size, 4-inch ruffle, desirable patterns, cotton filling, and the price only 25c each.

8c BALL YARN (Woolen)

5c Ball

HEAD RESTS, 10c EACH—Sateen covered, size 14x12, bound with cord, cord loops. A leader at 10c.

THE EVERTIDY COMB

A comb that holds the stray locks neatly and firmly in place. On sale at Jewelry Counter. The price, 25 CENTS.